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WORLD OF RADIO 1589 HEADLINES:

Mon 2230 WRMI 9955

DX and station news about: Australia, Belarus, Belgium non, Bolivia, Canada, China, Congo, Congo DR, Costa Rica, Cuba non, Ecuador, Ethiopia non, France, Germany non, India, Italy non, Korea North non, Kuwait, Libya, New Zealand, Pakistan, Peru, Poland non, Pridnestrovye, Russia, Rwanda, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan non, Turkey, Vanuatu, Vatican non, Zambia, Zimbabwe and non

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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1589, November 3-9, 2011
Thu 0330 WRMI 9955 [repeated 1588 this week]
Thu 1500 WRMI 9955 [repeated 1588 this week]
Thu 2100
        WRMI 9955
Thu 2100
        WTWW 9479 [confirmed]
Thu 2130
        WBCQ 7490 [confirmed]
Fri 0330 WWRB 3195 and 5051 [confirmed]
Fri 0500
        WRMI 9955
Fri 1430 WRMI 9955 [confirmed]
Sat 0800 WRMI 9955
Sat 1500 WRMI 9955
Sat 1730 WRMI 9955
Sun 0400 WTWW 5755
[DST unshifts start here:]
Sun 0900 WRMI 9955
Sun 1630 WRMI 9955
Sun 1830 WRMI 9955
Mon 0400v WBCO 5110v-CUSB
Mon 1230
        WRMI 9955
Mon 1630 WRMI 9955
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Tue 1030 HLR 5980 Hamburger Lokal Radio [DST unshift in effect]
Tue 1630 WRMI 9955
Wed 1630 WRMI 9955

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WRN ON DEMAND:

http://193.42.152.193/listeners/stations/station.php?StationID=24

WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS VIA WRN:

http://www.wrn.org/wrn-listeners/world-of-radio/

http://www.wrn.org/listeners/world-of-radio/rss/09:00:00UTC/English/541

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** AFGHANISTAN. 6101.99, Radio Afghanistan, 1557, fair with Hindi-like vocals, brief fanfare and into news or similar at 1601. Best copy in USB. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Received this reply from RTA against RR of 3rd Aug, re-sent on 19th Oct 2011:

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Rafiullah Alkozai

Date: Wed, Oct 19, 2011 at 12:25 PM Subject: thanks from Afghanistan

To: alokeshgupta

Representing my team working in English Service of Afghanistan

National Radio, I thank you all for your kind comments regarding our newly started English program. As you know our team started that program with very few resources, but we try our best to serve you in best and professional way. Once again I thank you for listening to our program out from Afghanistan and you gave us honor.

With Best Regards, The English Service Team (via Alokesh Gupta, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ALBANIA. Came across Albanian pop songs program today at Oct 22 at 2350 UT heard til Oct 23 at 0008 UT. So, the Radio Tirana program lasted still til 0030 UT.

Planned RT deletion:

2400-0030 7425 SHI 100 kW S-08 antenna at 300 deg to NoAM 2400-0030 9860 SHI 100 kW S-15 antenna at 310 deg to NoAM

9859.970, odd frequency but VERY GREAT signal at outstanding propagation conditions to Western Europe. S=9+45 dBm !!!

7424.982, odd frequency but VERY DISTORTED AUDIO signal, like WRONG FINAL TUBE transmitter unit. Though strong signal of S=9+20dBm here in western Europe (Wolfgang B schel, Oct 23, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

13735, Oct 26 at 1845, R. Tirana still absent from previously active English broadcast. Ditto 13625, Oct 27 at 1437.

13625, Oct 28 at 1430, R. Tirana still missing from English to NAm; then I tune up to 13640, and there is Klara! with her opening schedule announcement, but reception too poor to tell if she has updated it; I seriously doubt it, since they never updated last spring's initial frequencies after a change. But what's RT doing on 13640? That's the frequency planned for B-11, but not until Oct 31, when the time will have shifted to 1530!

Then we see a delayed by p-mail report from Edwin Southwell in England, via Mike Barraclough:

``Radio Tirana frequency changes since October 24 for the English service; noted at 1430 on 13640 (ex 13625) good reception. At 2000 noted on 7530 (ex 7465), noted Radio Tirana on 7465 with music and interval signal at 1957 for a minute or so then transmitter cut off and opened on 7520 (sic, assume typo for 7530 which is the B-11 registration) in English (Edwin Southwell, Hampshire, World DX Club Contact)``

So they made the frequency change a week early, but not the time

change! Since the NAm frequency on 13 MHz was to be dropped in B-11 when English would have been at 1945 and 2100, I suppose that explain why we have not been hearing it at all on 13735 at 1845 or 2000 this week (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency 13640 is on air today October 29th at 1440 UT tune in. The signal is strong - peaking to 10 dB+ over S9 with no interference and only slight fades. SINPO 45544 But the audio quality is muffled and distorted, and music breaks are weak and not properly heard - it sounds like a poor telephone line. I can understand all of what is being said, but Glenn may be experiencing some difficulty in N Am. But now at 1445 we have much better audio quality for the programme of folklore music, which sounds to be coming from the Shijak station itself, but the announcer is still distorted - most strange. Thank you for music, and most enjoyable. Greetings and Regards from (Noel Green, England, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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R. Tirana SW B-11 effective 30 Oct 2011 to 24 March 2012:
07390 0800 1000 18SE,27,28
                                  SHI
                                       100
                                              0 1234567 ALBANIAN
13640 1530 1600 7,8,9,27
                                       100 310
                                                234567 ENGLISH
                                  SHI
06000 1800 1830 27,28,37NE,38N,39N SHI
                                       100
                                             0 234567 ITALIAN
07465 1830 1900 27,28
                                  SHI
                                       100 310 234567 FRENCH
07465 2031 2100 27,28
                                  SHI
                                       100 310
                                                234567 GERMAN
07530 2100 2130 27,28
                                  SHI
                                       100 300 234567 ENGLISH
07425 0000 0100 7,8,9
                                  SHI 100 310 1234567 ALBANIAN
(As notified to HFCC 27 Oct by Drita «iÁo, R. Tirana monitoring, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)
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I have urged R. Tirana to put the now only English broadcast to North America in the evening instead of the morning, such as immediately before or after the Albanian hour at 00-01 on 7425 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Winter B-11 schedule of Radio Tirana:
Albanian Daily
0000-0100 on 7425 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
0800-1000 on 7390 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu
0900-1000 on 1395vFLA 500 kW / 033 deg to EaEu
1500-1530 on 1458vFLA 500 kW / non-dir to WeEu
English Mon-Sat
1530-1600 on 13640 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
2100-2130 on 7530 SHI 100 kW / 300 deg to U.K.
German Mon-Sat
2031-2100 on 7465 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to Germany
Greek Mon-Sat
1645-1700 on 1458vFLA 500 kW / non-dir to Greece
French Mon-Sat
1830-1900 on 7465 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to France
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Italian Mon-Sat
1800-1830 on 6000 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to Italy
Serbian Mon-Sat
2115-2130 on 1458vFLA 500 kW / 004 deg to Serbia
Turkish Mon-Sat
1930-2000 on 1458vFLA 500 kW / non-dir to Turkey
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)

7389.982, Radio Tirana noted in B-11 season via Shijak transmitter, at 0825 UT Oct 30, S=9+10dB signal. Listen to short recording, as attached. Feed line between control room and tx house seems like telephone line quality this morning (Wolfgang B_sschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 30 via DXLD)

Here on the NW coast of England 13640 is peaking to 20dB over 9 - strong - but the audio quality is distorted, and some music breaks are hardly heard. The music following the sports newsat 1554 is much louder and clearer though. Very strange!!! Unfortunately I didn't hear the opening announcements. However, Europe is only the secondary service area, and I agree with Glenn that this transmission would be better placed before or after the Albanian service at 0000-0100 UT for best reception in N America. Greetings from (Noel Green, England, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good evening now, Thanks for monitoring in NoAm and the UK.

From today, there is a B11ALR time table change for Albanian Program at 1500-1530 UT on 1458 kHz. It will be like before at 1500-1630 UT. This change thanks to the strong intervention of Astrit Ibro to our General Director with argument that this is the main program in Albanian - I was told by Astrit and later by my director Mehilli, too. Astrit came today in my office and also told me for a second change in B11ALR, it will be deleted the transmission 7390 kHz 0800-0900 UT Albanian. My Director Mehilli did not mention on tel this second change to me, and asked me to prepare the draft-paper on behalf of General Director for the first change.

On this occasion, I told Astrit and Arben Mehilli to include a third change for English to N Am as proposed by Glenn. Astrit agreed, while Arben firstly wanted to read my previous email on that (Drita «iÁo, R. Tirana Monitoring, Oct 31, ibid.)

Drita, Since we abandoned 7425, several other stations have moved in after 0300. The English to North America half-hour should be between 0100 and 0300 on 7425. The clearest time would be 0200 or 0230 when there is less interference from 7430. If preferable for convenience, it could still be at 0100 immediately following the Albanian hour. (Glenn to Drita, via DXLD)

13640, Oct 31 at 1531, I can just barely make out Klara's voice, no doubt opening schedule announcement of R. Tirana, now at correct time on B-11 frequency, only remaining English broadcast to North America, Mon-Sat. Has the announcement been updated? Now it should take less than a minute instead of two. Anyhow, unusable reception now, while in the evening before or after the 00-01 Albanian on 7425 it would be much better.

[and non]. 7425, monitoring for R. Tirana, Oct 31-UT Nov 1: at 2335, 7425 is occupied by a strong Chinese station! HFCC shows CRI Kunming toward the south. You might not think it a problem here, but it is! So ALR should not use 7425 for anything at this hour.

At 0005: 7425 ALR is now on but poor signal with co-channel about equal level, both unusable. During this hour there is another Chinese transmission, CRI English also aimed south, from Kashgar.

So if R. Tirana cannot get Chinese friends to move off 7425, the Albanian service to NAm at 00-01 needs to move off 7425! There is also a station on 7430 which is about equal level, not a big problem, but since 7420 and 7415 are now open, R. Tirana should shift to 7420 for best results. 7430 is VOR, 500 kW, 305 degrees via ARMENIA at 23-04.

At 0105, something is on 7425! Oh, it must be R. Tirana running overtime, cut off abruptly past 0106. Then the frequency is open. 7425 (and 7420) remain open until 0300. So any half-hour in that span would be good for R. Tirana's only remaining English broadcast to NAm, instead of at 1530 on 13640. I think 0230 is being considered.

13640, another check of the NAm service for now, Nov 1 at 1528 carrier is on, but heavy flutter and even Doppler wobble with BFO due to G1 storm. 1529 IS, 1530 opening but so poor I cannot copy anything except it's the OM instead of the usual YL, so maybe it's a new schedule announcement by him.

7425, Nov 2 at 0018, heavy collision between R. Tirana in Albanian, and CRI in Chinese. Meanwhile 7420 is open. It remains open at 0243 check, so I renew by recommendation that RT move to 7420 for 00-01 Albanian, and gives us English on 7420 sometime between 01 and 03 instead of 1530.

7530, Nov 2 at 2059, R. Tirana signal is JBA for the English to Europe now at 2100-2130 on this frequency only, so maybe in eastern N America and a bit further west as winter progresses, we can get this transmission if none in the evening.

7425, Nov 3 around 0030 check, still with heavy cochannel from China

during Albanian hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- 7425 R. Tirana Heard just after sign on at 0002 with a brief musical fanfare to 0M with ID in Albanian. YL next with news and sports into local music past 0025. Signal was very good, strong and steady, with no QRM from CRI. Slight hum from V. of Russia on 7430, which had a huge signal (Steve Wood, Harwich, Mass., Drake R8B, 25 x 50 N/E Superloop antenna, UT Nov 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** ALGERIA. 981, RTVA-1, Ouled Fayet. 2312 October 26, 2011. Carrier, fairly decent, but no audio making it to the west coast. Presume this is the most likely of all those on 981, at 600 kW of brute force (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, Abridged pile of junk: JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund HQ-180A; Aqua Guide 705 Radio Direction Finder; Sangean PR-D5; Sony ICF-7600GR; GE SuperRadio III; RadioShack DX-399; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X in-room random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** ANGUILLA. Caribbean Beacon-1610 --- With an A-index of 25 last night, no wonder Caribbean Beacon-1610 Anguilla was audible (for a change!) around 0330 UTC with Dr. Gene Scott posthumously preaching //6090 shortwave. Often buried in the noise but occasionally rose to fair level. Surprisingly rare catch here over the past several yearswas heard regularly back in the '90s. Are they directional at night anybody know? (Randy Stewart, Arts Producer, KSMU, 901 S. National Springfield MO 65897, 27 Oct, NRC-AM via DXLD)
- NON directional (George McClintock, TN, Caribbean Beacon, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- I've always wondered, because aurora or no aurora, it seems like they should be stronger here -- or at least more consistently audible -- on what is, after all, a relatively clear channel, especially if it's still running 50 kW (Randy Stewart, Springfield MO, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** ANTARCTICA. 15476, Oct 27 a Thursday, so a thoro search for LRA36 is called for, supposedly active Tue & Thu 13-15. Nothing detectable at 1301, 1337, 1352, 1409. However at 1439 I again have a JBA carrier near 15475 instead (comparing to remnant of Australia on 9475). The computers here are off, so I increasingly suspect something is really transmitting on 15475; RNASG slipped a kHz down? Spur of something else? Nothing is scheduled now or in B-11 HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 15476, checking on Oct 27 (Thursday) mostly between 1400 and 1500 with no carrier heard. Glenn noted possible signal on 15475, but at my location nothing heard between the stations on 15470 and 15480.

Propagation seemed normal (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTIGUA & BARBUDA. Antigua e Barbuda [trans-equatorial propagation on FM]

Amigos, Continuam muito boas as condiÁles de escutas de emissoras caribenhas aqui em S"o Carlos - SP e o horizonte vem se ampliando.

Nesta noite, alèm das costumeiras emissoras de Barbados (com Ûtimos sinais), tambèm Porto Rico com a R·dio WORO em 92.5 com boa recepÁ"o em torno da 0130 UTC, ali·s, esta emissora tem sido bastante frequente.

A melhor notÌcia, no entanto, È a escuta da Observer Radio, Antigua e Barbuda, em 91.1 Mhz, com razo·vel recepÁ"o e por longo tempo, tendo inclusive ouvido a identificaÁ"o ‡ 0103 e 0203 UTC. Mesmo tendo longos anos de atividade dexista ainda È uma grande satisfaÁ"o uma escuta como esta, alèm de uma novidade, È algo que altera um panorama observado j· h· alguns anos por aqui.

Coloquei o ·udio desta recepÁ"o com a identificaÁ"o em : http://www.ipernity.com/blog/76129/home

73 (Samuel C⋅ssio Martins, S"o Carlos SP, RX utilizado: Degen DE 1103, Oct 29, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. Transradio Internacional --- ValiosÌsima documentaciÛn aportada por el amigo Luis Bronzini de Rosario [LU3FS]. Es una encomiable iniciativa de quienes est·n rescatando informaciÛn escrita y ilustrativa (se indican las fuentes de Javier Albinarrate y se menciona a JosÈ PÈrez de Bahla Blanca) de TRANSRADIO INTERNACIONAL S.A. de Monte Grande. Es un lujo contar con este material que comparto con todos ustedes. RubÈn G. Margenet

Transradio Internacional S.A. Tuesday, 18 August 2009 00:12 Javier Albinarrate

Compaòla Radiotelegr·fica Transradio Internacional S.A. representÛ toda una Època en que la tecnologla comenzaba a conectar el mundo. Proximamente, en la medida en que el tiempo me lo permita, pienso escribir algo al respecto y mostrar el deplorable estado en que se encuentra un pedazo de nuestra historia, que adem·s alojÛ a las celebres Radio Excelsior y Radio Splendid...

De momento dejarÈ aquÌ algunos artÌculos muy interesantes y algunas fotos sueltas. . .

http://www.albinarrate.com/index.php?

option=com_content&view=article&id=40:transradio&catid=22:vintage&Itemid=38
(via Margenet, ibid.)

I well remember hearing point-to-point markers (voice mirrors) on SSB from this one, in the 60s or 70s (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 5050, Ozy Radio. I sent Craig Allen, the owner and operator of the low powered Ozy Radio, a copy of my Oct 24 posting to dxldyg. This was to alert him of the newly reactivated AIR Aizawl station on 5050, which was one of the frequencies formerly used by Ozy Radio before Craig closed down operations so he could relocate his transmitter.

Oct 27 Craig responded: iWill be on air soon. Maybe we will apply for a new frequency such as 5045 kHz., less interference. Stay tunedî.

Oct 27 checked several times on 5050 between 1330 and 1430, but only heard strong Beibu Bay Radio (BBR); with no Ozy Radio and no trace of AIR Aizawl (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 9580, Oct 29 at 1310, RA has dumped `Saturday Night Country` for continuous news coverage of the QANTAS lockout and grounding of all flights in response to industrial axion by the unions --- we had not heard a word about this before on American media. Inconveniences many, including several Commonwealth prime ministers who have been meeting in Perth and just want to go home. A moment before 1358* cutoff, announcer said we had been *watching* coverage on ABC. I don't think so (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Not having heard the coverage, I'll take a punt that they were rebroadcasting (TV) ABC News 24, a rather (IMO) amateurish allnews attempt by the national broadcaster (esp compared with Sky News Australia and some of the other choices available here). 73s (David Sharp, NSW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. In B-11, R. Australia has some new collision problems. Best 9580 remains clear, but // 9590, Oct 31 at 1241 with YL in Russian mixing. It's CRI northwestward from SZG site at 12-13.

9560, Oct 31 at 1242 has RA way buried by something in Cantonese. O, it's CRI via Sackville at 12-13 like in B-10.

The 18.9-19+ MHz SW band is extremely underutilized, nothing at all on it in most of A-11, but B-11 HFCC shows not only NEW ZEALAND [q.v.] but RA Shepparton:

19000 0000 0200 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 70 0 216 1234567 301011 250312

But no trace of it on half-hourly chex Nov 1; propagation not so good anyway, but the 70 degree beam is the most favorable for NAm beyond the central Pacific. Maybe 19000 is alternate for 17795 at 00-02, altho on that frequency it`s 50 degrees to partly different zones.

No mention of 19000 on RA's own current schedule: http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/pdf/frequency_guide.pdf But these never show any date or season, so one can only guess whether they are current or still showing outdated previous A-11 info! Is anyone hearing RA on 19000? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRIA. Radio Austria International registered schedule is now 0600-0715 on 6155, 0900-0935 on 17630 300 kW and 18910 100 kW Monday to Saturday, both 265 degrees to Australia. The transmissions to North and South America have been discontinued (HFCC Public data file via Nov World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar, 1457-1500*, Oct 28. Subcontinent music; 1459 iBangladesh Betarî ID; after going off at 1500 heard only CNR1 in the clear; RRI Makassar not heard at all.

Oct 29 from 1329 to 1336; subcontinent music; 1331 iBangladesh Betarî ID; marching band; more music; no RRI Makassar heard (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750, 1353-1413, R. Bangladesh, Shavar, 29/10, Bengali, YL ann and talks, local music, OM news with opening ID at 1405'04 including report about EPL Saturday games, 1410'52 one more OM ID and YL talk again with musical pauses - poor, then fair and even better with local noise and PBS Qinghai in the background (Mikhail Timofeyev, St Petersburg, Russia, DSWCI member no. 2987, Drake R8A. Antenna: long wire (30 m), http://dxcorner.narod.ru HCDX via DXLD)

** BELARUS. 7382v, Noted distorted audio of Belarus Radio in Belarussian at 0630 UT Oct 30, and also at 0735 UT in range 7378 to 7384 kHz. Most probably a spurious signal of 7280, the stronger Belarus stn, compared to lower level on 7235 kHz (Wolfgang Bschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 30, harmonics yg via DXLD)

11930, R Belarus, Minsk in Belaruss. keeps still summer frequency 11930 instead of registered 7255 kHz at 5-8 UT in winter schedule (Wolfgang B_sschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31 via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

** BELARUS. Plan --- Belarusian Tele-radio Company (Belarus) 30-Oct-2011 - 25-Mar-2012

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kHz / kW / UTC / Language / Transmitter, Latitude/ Longitude / Beam /
CIRAF
6010 / 5 / 0300 ñ 0200 / Bel / Brest, 52N20/023E35 / 0 / 29
6040 /
         5 / 0300 ñ 0200 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 0 / 29
6070 / 5 / 0300 \tilde{n} 0200 / Bel / Brest, 52N20/023E35 / 0 / 29
6080 / 150 / 1600 ñ 2204 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 130 / 28E,29W
6115 / 75 / 1600 ñ 2204 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 0 / 29NW
6155 / 250 / 1800 ñ 2400 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 255 / 27S,37N
        5 / 0300 ñ 0200 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 0 / 29
         5 / 0300 ñ 0200 / Bel / Orcha, 54N31/030E27 / 0 / 29
7235 /
7255 / 250 / 0500 ñ 0800 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 75 / 29,30
7255 / 250 / 1600 ñ 1800 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 75 / 29,30
         5 / 1600 ñ 2200 / Bel / Brest, 52N2O/023E35 / 0 / 29
        5 / 0300 ñ 0200 / Bel / Brest, 52N20/023E35 / 0 / 29
7280 /
7360 / 75 / 1200 ñ 2400 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 270 / 27,28
7390 / 150 / 1200 ñ 2400 / Bel / Minsk, 53N53/027E31 / 245 / 27,28,37N
(HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD)
Radiostation Belarus
UTC / kHz / Transmitter / kW / Beam
1100-2300 7360 / Kolodishchi / 75 / 250
          7390 / Kolodishchi / 150 / 246
1705-2300 6155 / Kolodishchi / 250 / 252
0900-2300 1170 ñ Sosnovy / 800 / 244
Belorusskoe radio
UTC / kHz / Transmitter / kW / Beam
0400-0700: 7255 / Kolodishchi / 250 / 72
           1170 / Sosnovy / 800 / ?64
1500-1700: 6155 / Kolodishchi / 250 / 72
           1170 / Sosnovy / 800 / ?64
0000-2400 / 279 / Sosnovy / 500
1500-2100 / 1278 / Brest / 10
0200-0100 / 6010 / Brest / 5
0200-0100 / 6040 / Grodno / 5
0200-0100 / 6070 / Brest / 5
1500-2100 / 6080 / Kolodishchi /150 / 127
1500-2100 / 6115 / Kolodishchi / 75 / circular
0200-0100 / 6190 / Mogilev / 5
0200-0100 / 7235 / Mogilev / 5
0200-0100 / 7280 / Grodno / 5
(Alexander Mazgo, Vitebsk, Belarus, ibid.)
** BELGIUM [non]. Winter B-11 of TDP stations:
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Radio Miraya FM in Arabic/English
0300-0600 9940 SMF 250 kW / 180 deg to EaAF
Denge Mezopotamya in Kurdish
0400-1500 11530 SMF 300 kW / 129 deg to WeAS Daily
1500-2000 7540 SMF 500 kW / 129 deg to WeAS Daily
[Yes, it's there now at 1140, with just the signal level would expect
outside the beam. ñ Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 31, dxldyg]
TDP Radio in DRM
0700-0800 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Mon
0800-0900 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Tue
0900-1000 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Wed
1000-1100 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Thu
1100-1200 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Fri
1200-1300 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Sat
1300-1400 6015 ISS 035 kW / 060 deg to WeEU Sun
Khmer Post Radio in Khmer
1200-1300 9960 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAS Wed/Thu/Fri, ex Daily
[this was never daily, altho somewhere listed as such --- gh]
Khmer People Power Movement in Khmer
1200-1300 9960 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAS Sat/Sun, ex Satly
Radio Democracia in Amharic
1200-1300 21555 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAF Sun
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The Disco Palace in DRM
1530-1630 12115 ISS 100 kW / 079 deg to SoAS Daily
2000-2100 17755 GUF 100 kW / 311 deg to NoAM Daily
Voice of Asena in Tigrinya
1700-1800 15360 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAF Mon/Wed/Fri
E-SAT Radio in Amharic
1700-1800 15370*KCH 100 kW / 180 deg to EaAF Daily
*alt. 15660/15680/15700
Gunaz Radio in Azeri
1730-1830 7610 SMF 250 kW / 130 deg to WeAS Daily, ex 1430-1730/-1930
Dmetse Tewahedo in Amharic:
1830-1930 15370 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg to EaAF Sat
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Suaab Xaa Moo Zoo in Hmong

- 2230-2300 7530 TAI 100 kW / 250 deg to SEAS Daily (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)
- ** BOLIVIA. 5952.45, R. PIO XII, SIGLO XX, 20/10 1055-1132, 33333, px En Contacto, news ID "En los estudios de Pio XII" advs http://www.radiopio12.org/
- 6024.94, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz, 16/10 0002-0045, 33333, hablan sobre el resultado de las votaciones en Bolivia; ID "Radio Patria Nueva a travÈs de la red, trasmitiendo al fiesta democr·tica realizada en Bolivia" news ID "Nos acompaòa el director de radio Patria Nueva". ID "A travÈs de Radio Patria Nueva" http://www.patrianueva.bo/
- 6154.90, R. Fides, La Paz, 18/10 0010-0040, 44444, m'sica moderna, ID "Radio Fides, marcando la diferencia, ahora en el cable, en los canales 78 y 17" mx. http://www.radiofides.com/ (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per', EL CHASQUI DX OCTUBRE 2011, via Dario Monferini, Oct 27, playdx yg via DXLD) See PERU
- ** BOLIVIA. LA RADIO, UN MEDIO EFICAZ PARA EL PROYECTO LITIO EN LAS COMUNIDADES --- 28/10/2011 11:58

Desde Uyuni a travÈs de Radio LÌpez, la 'nica emisora que llega al Sud Oeste Potosino, la Gerencia Nacional de Recursos EvaporÌticos (GNRE) se acerca a la comunidad por medio de dos espacios radiales en los que participan como invitados distintos lÌderes de la regiÛn, miembros de organizaciones sociales, autoridades y tÈcnicos municipales, la tem·tica principal se refiere al impacto del Proyecto de Litio en la regiÛn, del departamento y el paÌs.

`An·lisis PolÌtico` y `Ventana Rural` son los programas difundidos en el Sud Oeste potosino, con el objetivo de debatir sobre la importancia actual de la minerla y las perspectivas para el futuro en esta regiÛn.

Hasta la fecha se superaron los 50 programas emitidos en directo, todos los viernes y s·bados entre las 16.00 y 17.30 [UT -4]. Radio LÌpez en F.M. 32.3 (Uyuni) y Onda Corta 4795 Khz son el instrumento para sociabilizar la Estrategia de Recursos EvaporÌticos. . . FUENTE: http://bit.ly/rt0fit

(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, playdx yg via DXLD) About lithium

- ** BOLIVIA. 4699.37, R. San Miguel, 1015, local music with M announcer, unpleasant copy with lots of QRN. 24 Oct.
- 4717.29, R. Yura, 1025, presumed with Andean vocals, poor with lots of QRN. 25 Oct
- 4865.02, R. Logos? Have to wonder if this is the one, 1037, with relg-

sounding talk by a man? Nothing close to an ID. 25 Oct

[later: Hi Everyone, From long-time friend and respected DX'er John Santosuosso of Florida, this observation:

David, I suspect your 4865 is Radio Verdes Florestas, Cruzeiro do Sul, Brasil. This is what I get at 1000+ UT, and have heard several partial IDs. Tricky because this is in the far west of Brasil and tends to fade in when the Peruvians do. It has a lot of religious programming and some of it is in Spanish, as it is near the border with Spanish-speaking S. America. I have several Logos very tentative logs. They are all for around 2300+.]

6134.81, R. Santa Cruz, 0852, possible s/on with Andean flutes, then ID and freq's by a man, into local music. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA [and non]. 6134.834, Radio Santa Cruz, 0930-0945, Heard with a weak signal, Radio Santa Cruz is being blasted by what sounds like CODAR this morning. Whether it is or not is debatable. My question is why? Why is it on this frequency anyway? This interference has been on this frequency for the last week blocking RSC adequately enough that any chance of hearing details was impossible. This morning RSC is audible enough to report while prior days it was blocked completely. Usually RSC is the best Bolivian Station on the air for listening. Radio Santa Cruz remained poor this morning (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, October 27, 2011, Excalibur, 26N 081W, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As for 6134 QRM, I am never listening at 0930 but at many other hours of the night, what I hear there is the ``TADIL-A bonker``, like an anvil, several short beats and a longer one, which is nothing like CODAR. CODAR also covers a wide bandwidth wherever it appears. Could you describe further what you are hearing. It certainly is a shame that it messes up Bolivia and any other broadcaster around 6135, and of course has no business inside the broadcast band. What I describe has been heard for many months. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

The QRM is what you described. CODAR was the closes I could think of how to describe the QRM. The TADIL-A Bonker as you mentioned is up now at 1521 UT. It seems to be sending a couple code letters as, "M R". It's sending 3 dahs and then M R and then 3 dahs and M R again over and over. It is covering the frequencies from 6130 to 6135 KHz only. At 1524 it stopped for 10 seconds and then started up again with same pattern. Hope that helps? (Chuck Bolland, ibid.)

6134.793, Radio Santa Cruz, 0030-0045 Oct 28, Noted a weak signal from Radio Santa Cruz which consists of music. The usual QRM that has been present here for the last week isn't this evening. At 0035 a male and female talk in Spanish. Signal was threshold the entire period.

6134.802, Radio Santa Cruz, 2333-2359 Nov 2. The signal is just fading in at this time with music of an unfamiliar nature. At 2337 a female breaks in with Spanish comments. Believe a male also talks during this time? At 2352 a second signal begins to transmit on 6134.048 kHz which sounds like the VOR as it transmits a steady tone ever 5 seconds. This signal blocks RSC to where I can only hear a very weak trace of RSC now. On the hour the tones identify as Voice of Russia in what sounds like Spanish. No hope of hearing Santa Cruz anymore (Chuck Bolland, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Did you mean 6135.048 for Russian, surely? HFCC shows St Pete site: 6135 0000 0300 12-15 S.P 400 268 0 218 1234567 301011 240312 D RUS VOR GFC (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 4814.98, Radio Dif. Londrina, 0845, fair with EZL ballad, brief comments by Portuguese man at 0847. 21 Oct.

4915, Unidentified, 0900, man with Portuguese news or similar, possibly R. Dif. Macap.? 21 Oct.

11815.03, R. Brasil Central, 2005, excited football commentary by two men, fair-good but only ZY noted on 25m at this time. 22 Oct.

15189.97, R. InconfidÍncia, 0638, noisy but fair with Brasopops, talk by man at 0643. All alone on freq. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 10000, ObservatÛrio Nacional, Rio de Janeiro. 2352 October 26, 2011. Fair-poor with Braso-Portuguese male minute announcements after seconds pulses, in big WWV signal of course (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA [and non]. 15600, Oct 30 at 1436, some distorted Slavic talk, Bulgarian? vs dirty spur from 15610 WEWN, q.v. under USA. RB is scheduled here at 14-15 only, registered woodenly also on 15700, but nothing there nor on own schedule. See also TURKEY

15600, Oct 31 at 1438, R. Bulgaria in Bulgarian, with QRM from 15601 WEWN squishyspur, while 15700 area is totally vacant! Why didn't RB stay there? Underneath 15600 also heard tone test stepping downward,

so colliding with that mystery site? Or defect in RB modulation.

I also see that getting 6075 was just too tempting for R. Bulgaria to maintain its policy of only using frequencies ending in ñ00! RB Plovdiv HFCC registered on 6075 at 00-04 to NAm in English, Bulgarian, French and English, but I`ll believe that only if I hear it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CAMBODIA [non]. 9960, Khmer Post Radio, via T8WH PALAU *1200, Oct 26 (Wednesday). Indigenous music; accented ID of iK-P-Rî; mostly monologues and reports via phone; brief music selections; tuned out 1233; almost fair reception with no RTTY today. Noted ifrequency: 11025 HZî at their podcast http://thekhmerpost.com/Podcast/so I also checked 11025 kHz, but found nothing there. MP3 audio at http://www.box.net/shared/196t1ab858a8g6od50e7 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. More first-day-of-season foulups in getting programming on the air as scheduled. Why is this so difficult, after years and years of practice??

12025, Oct 30 at 2145, RCI IS & ID repeating. The HCJB Arabic/Berber service makes its seasonal switch from Rampisham to Sackville site, but stays on 12025 at 2100-2145. Off at 2157 recheck.

13675, Oct 31 at 1448, CRI relay // 15230 in Chinese, not English as B-11 HFCC scheduled. Chinese lasted a while, so I don't think it was a bilingual Beijing hour.

15230, Oct 31 at 1405, large open carrier atop RHC, presumably CRI via Sackville minus modulation, and Chinese had appeared by 1442 check. Trouble is, HFCC shows CRI English at 13-15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. IDEAS PREVIEWS ON CBC RADIO ONE:

Monday, October 31 - November 4
THE CBC AT 75: TURNING POINTS IN PUBLIC BROADCASTING

The CBC was born into a country dominated by American radio. Canada needed its own voice on the airwaves. Graham Spry, considered the father of public broadcasting in Canada, described the need for a public broadcaster this way: "the state or the United States." IDEAS producer David Cayley examines crucial episodes in the history of the CBC from its founding to the present. He deals with the corporation's earliest days, the golden age of radio, the CBC's fight for political independence, the origins of television, and the epic battle over the

controversial 1960s CBC Television program, This Hour Has Seven Days. The series features interviews with many of the people, including Spry himself, who were instrumental in shaping the CBC from its very beginnings to the present day. For more details about CBC's 75th Anniversary visit the website http://links.cbc.ca/a/l.x?t=jncickejakefhbfcmefiam&M=2&v=4

Monday, November 7 - Friday, November 11 --- WINTER: FIVE WINDOWS ON THE SEASON: THE 2011 CBC MASSEY LECTURES BY ADAM GOPNIK

This year the CBC Massey Lectures celebrates 50 years with bestselling author, essayist, cultural observer, and famed New Yorker contributor Adam Gopnik. His subject is winter - the season, the space, the cycle. Gopnik takes us on an intimate tour of the artists, poets, composers, writers, explorers, scientists, and thinkers, who helped shape a new and modern idea of winter. A stunningly beautiful meditation buoyed by Gopnik's trademark gentle wit, Winter is at once an enchanting homage to an idea of a season and a captivating journey through the modern imagination. Read more...
<http://links.cbc.ca/a/l.x?t=jncickejakefhbfcmefiam&M=3&v=4> (via Richard Cuff, internetradio y via DXLD)

More on the CBC 75th Anniversary --- This is from the weekly CBC Radio One newsletter I receive. Looks like "The Current" is also celebrating the CBC's 75th anniversary. RC

Hi Richard! This is your CBC.ca update. If you are having trouble
viewing this email please click here
<http://links.cbc.ca/a/l.x?t=jncickejckkgccndehfhkd&M=1&v=4>

Your newsletter for the week of October 31st, 2011

The Current, host Anna Maria Tremonti

The Current will celebrate CBC's 75th anniversary with a tour of studios past. Going back through the decades, host Anna Maria Tremonti will re-visit some of CBC Radio's ground-breaking programs, hear from memorable hosts such as Bronwyn Drainnie and Mary-Lou Finlay, and let CBC Radio take listeners back through time.

From the farm broadcasts in the 1930s to the Radio Revolution to the current climate of radio expanding to the digital world, The Current will examine and pay tribute to the milestones of Canada?s beloved public broadcaster. Listen as Anna Maria Tremonti opens up the CBC Radio archives containing a plethora of controversial, memorable and stimulating interviews throughout the years from several different programs.

Tune in to The Current

<http://links.cbc.ca/a/l.x?t=jncickejckkgccndehfhkd&M=2&v=4> on Wednesday, November 2nd at 8:30 a.m. (9:30 a.m. NT) to hear the commemorative piece CBC Radio: Changing the Game for 75 Years (via Richard Cuff, ibid.)

There's been a series of radio programs looking back on the first 75 years of the CBC, with liberal incorporation of archive audio from legends such as Peter Gzowski and Barbara Frum.

The series "Rewind", hosted by Michael Enright, available on Sirius satellite radio and via podcast / download, is a hub for much of this special programming.

Check out http://www.cbc.ca/rewind/ for more. (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ibid.)

CBC Radio One's 'Ideas' this week is a series about the 75th anniversary of CBC; I hope to catch them all on webcasts: UT Tue-Sat first airing at 0005 to the AT/NT zones, e.g. CBN, and repeated at 0105, 0205, 0305 and 0405 to westward zones. Off to a disappointing start: the narrator said twice that the original CFCF in Montreal was 'WXA' instead of correct proto-calls XWA as any radio historian should know (Glenn Hauser, OK, Nov 2, DX LISTENING DGIEST)

Connect with CBC 75th Anniversary --- Look for all kinds of special programming on CBC all this week for their 75th anniversary. Lots of goodies at the special web site:

http://www.cbc.ca/75/

73 Best of DX (Shawn Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, Winnipeg MB, MWDX yg via Mike Terry, Nov 1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

Celebrating 75 Years of Broadcasting - CBC/Radio Canada

The Royal Canadian Mint is offering a special Commemorative Coin and Booklet celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Canada's National Public Broadcaster, the CBC/Radio Canada.

The CBC was officially created on November the 2nd. 1936, thus this special 25 cent commemorative coin has been struck. On the front is a photo [sic] of a CBC Microphone, with the dates 1936-2011, underneath Radio - Canada. The domination of 25 cents is on top with Canada. The reverse is the portrait of Elizabeth II.

I received this item today from the Post Office, here in Daysland, after two back-orders. If anyone is interested, the item number is #115949 through the Canadian Mint or in Canada, at your local Post office. Attached are two photos of the folder, which opens up, and

displays the details, along with the coin, housed in plastic. Details and write-up in both English and French (Edward Kusalik, AB, Cumbre DX, via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

** CANADA. 9625, CBCNQ, 1950, fair with topical discussion by a man, covered at 1956 by NHK. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Firedrake 23-27 Oct 2011 --- Glenn, thanks for publishing Firedrake logs. I wanted to add that I'm only hearing the music; I can't determine what's being jammed.

23 Oct 2011, 0058 UT, memory scan 13850: poor; off promptly at 0100

25 Oct 2011, 1555 UT, memory scan

12175: good 13970: good

27 Oct 2011, 1457-1500, memory scan (lots here; wish I had the time to scan with the tuning knob!)

7970: good 10300: good 11500: good 12600: good 13130: good 13970: good 14700: good

1635 UT, memory scan

13970: good (Eric Weatherall http://cobaltpet.blogspot.com/ Oct 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

China Oddity-Log-AZ --- 5965, C R I on Oct. 26, 1445. Fair, long talk by F. Familiar CRI close-out music at TOH, silence, then a short cupla seconds of Firedrake music, off to OC. At 1500, pips, intro CRI music to M in Russian. Fading by now. Noted slight heterodyne - Malaysia? Curious about the Cuban-radio-like mistake. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, Hammarlund SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky and Inverted "L", ABDX via DXLD)

The ionosphere still hasn't recovered from the geomag storm 2-3 days ago. Firedrake chex Oct 27, before 1200: 10300, JBA at 1153. Did not to a complete search at this time

Before 1300: none audible 10-17 MHz around 1255-1300

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7970, poor at 1353
10300, fair at 1353
11500, good at 1345; none in the 12s
13850, good at 1355 but ACI from 13845 WWCR
13920, very poor at 1355 with fax QRM, Australia? None in the 14s
15440, fair at 1356 with noise; still on at 1404 plus CCI
15545, good at 1356; het on hi side
15970, very good at 1356
16100, very good at 1358
16980, very good at 1358; none in the 17s, 18s
Firedrake Oct 28, before 1300:
16100, good at 1257
15900, good at 1257
13970, good at 1258
12500, good at 1258
11500, fair at 1258; none in the 10s
 7970, poor at 1259
Before 1400:
16980, poor at 1356
16100, good at 1356; none in the 15s, 14s, 13s
12600, very good at 1358-1400*
10300, fair at 1359
 7970, poor at 1359
Firedrake Oct 29, before 1300:
 7970, fair at 1256
10300, good at 1259-1300*
12230, fair at 1258
13970, poor at 1256
14700, fair at 1257
15900, fair at 1257
16100, fair at 1257
After 1400:
17570, fair at 1413; meanwhile some signal talking on 17560, which I
assume is V. of Tibet via Madagascar, outwitting the ChiCom, by
jumping back and forth between the two (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)
EAST JAMMERSTAN: Chinese opera crash & bang music jammer:
13970 // 14700 // 15545 (hint of co-ch audio) // 16100; 1318, 29-Oct
13920 (weak) // 15900 (strong) // 16100 // 16980 // 17100 (new); 0132,
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Before 1400:

30-Oct; all missing at 0203. 10300 // 13970 (strong) //15770 (new); 1441, 30-0ct 7970 (w/chirp QRM) // 10300 // 11500 // 12600 // 15900 // 16100; 1053, 30-Oct; all weak or vweak (Harold Frodge, visiting Port Hope MI, Drake R8B + 65' TTFD + 500' NEish unterminated bev, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 11500, Firedrake. 0750 October 30, 2011. Very good. 11500, Firedrake. 2355-0000* October 30, 2011. Fluttery, fair. Pulled the plug at 0000, and not kick-started through 0015 static boredom tune-out (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Firedrake Oct 30, before 0030, i.e. 8:30 am in ChiComland: 16980, fair at 0026 16100, fair at 0026 15900, good at 0026 with heavy flutter at 0026 14700, fair at 0028; none 10-13 or 17-19 MHz Circa 1330: 10300, good with heavy flutter at 1328 11500, equal to 10300 at 1328 13970, poor at 1334; none in the 12s 14700, very good at 1334 After 1430: 15770, very good with flutter at 1435 Non-FD jamming: 15375, Oct 30 at 1339, something in Chinese with noise jamming; IBB via Tajikistan now scheduled 12-14, 250 kW, 110 degrees from Dushanbe to CIRAF 42 and 43W, i.e. Tibet so VOA or RFA. See also ROMANIA: 15280 It pays to scan for Firedrake at off-hours, because at times there is some, such as UT Oct 30 before 6 am ChiCom time: 11500, fair with flutter at 2147 UT 10300, better at 2147 Before 1300, not a thoro search: 10300, fair at 1245 12230, very poor at 1245 Before 1400: 7970, not heard at 1352 10300, very good at 1352 11500, very poor at 1352

12230, very good at 1353

12600, poor at 1353

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13970, very poor at 1356
14970: see UNIDENTIFIED
16980, very good at 1359; none in the 17s, 18s
After 1400:
15445, good at 1406
Before 1500:
15795, very good at 1437
13970, very good at 1450, none in the 13s, 12s
11500, very poor at 1451
10300, good at 1451
Again today, non-FD jamming: 15375, Oct 31 at 1358, Chinese plus
noise; IBB via Tajikistan now scheduled 12-14, 250 kW, 110 degrees
from Dushanbe to CIRAF 42 and 43W, i.e. Tibet, so VOA or RFA.
Firedrake Nov 1, before 1400; not much, with geomag storm causing
extreme flutter on most signals; see USA: WTWW entry:
17170, very poor at 1340
16100, JBA at 1338; none in the 15s, 14s, 13s
12230, good but heavy flutter at 1343
10300, poor at 1344
Firedrake Nov 2, before 1300:
10300, poor at 1256
12230, fair at 1251
13920, fair at 1251
13970, poor at 1251
14700, JBA at 1253; none in the 15s, 16s, 17s
Before 1330:
15445, poor with noise at 1324; off at 1333 check
Before 1400:
10300, good at 1336
11500, very poor at 1336; but no more TajiQRM: see TAJIKISTAN
12230, poor at 1337
12600, JBA at 1337
12670, fair at 1337
13920, good at 1337
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
** CHINA. 1341, CNR1 Guangdong, 1230, in null of 2TAB, with Chinese
version of "Una Paloma Blanca." Mostly on top and strong. 26 Oct
(David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables,
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Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and

dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I don't think so, David. There was and maybe still is a Chinese station in Geelong (Victoria) on 1341 and known to relay CNR and other Cantonese speaking stations. 1230 is a little early to hear China and there are plenty of others co-channel (Robin L. Harwood VK7RH, Norwood, Tasmania, ibid.)

Hi Robin, I know the station you reference and the 1341 log was not domestic Aussie, though I had to phase out several domestics to hear it. Chinese station on 909 (which I consider non-DX here) was on at the same time so there was already propagation to China. I had the Geelong station and one other NULLED out for reception of China. 73s (David Sharp, ibid.)

** CHINA. Hi Glenn, Does anyone know if PBS Yunnan 6035 is on the air? (Mark Davies, Anglesey, Wales, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Mark, Yes, I hear them almost daily on 6035. At my west coast location, I can catch their nice 1300 ID in English: iThis is the Voice of Shangri-La, brought to you by Yunnan Radioî. Dave has a very nice recording of the ID at http://www.intervalsignals.net/Back on Sept 17, I heard them in Vietnamese before 1300 and then changed over to Chinese programming after that, but recently have noted instead they continue on in Vietnamese after 1300.

The only problem I have with their reception is some strong adjacent QRM/splatter, otherwise not too bad. Still have not heard any trace of BBS (Bhutan) on 6035. Supposedly they will use their higher powered transmitter before too long. Hopefully one day soon! Presently they are broadcasting with lower power, per reports from Asia.

Sorry I have no idea what time might work for you to attempt to hear them at your location, but I can tell you they are still active on a daily basis. For a real challenge, give a listen for PBS Yunnan on 7210, where they broadcast in different languages. I have heard something underneath Vietnam (VOV1), but have been unable to confirm who it is. Good listening! (Ron Howard, California, USA, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, ibid.)

Hi Mark & Ron, Yunnan PBS on 6035 heard here yesterday (Oct 29) from 1420 tune-in. Female announcer in what might have been listed Chinese, then possible change-over to Vietnamese 1429. Frequency is clear, noted to 1500:58 carrier off. Had been hearing a carrier here on occasional checks since Oct 6, this was the first time I could detect definite audio. 73, (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 6144.984, QPBS Qinghai, S=9 signal, carried 1011 Hertz test

tone at 2146 UT til 2152 UT Oct 19, two peaks on 6143.973 and 6145.995 kHz, regular program start is at 2200 UT (Wolfgang B $_{\rm s}$ schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

6145 kHz Qinghai Peoples Broadcasting Station, Xining --- Hi Everyone. Following a tip from Martien Groot: 6145, Qinghai Peoples Broadcasting Station, Xining, 27th Oct at 2200. Opening ID in Mandarin by OM "Qinghai Renmin Guangbo Dientai". At 30 secs can make out "Qinghai peoples broadcasting" by YL who is speaking in English following OM and all this over the theme from Star Wars! http://www.box.net/shared/0kmh7lqtul12i5gh48x8 (Mark Davies, Anglesey, Wales, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. 13640, I tuned in a bit too late to reconfirm R. Tirana on this frequency erroneously before B-11 starts, Oct 29 at 1458, instead hearing CRI English with Chinese lesson, 1500 into bilingual `Beyond Beijing`, and by 1501 heavy CCI from another station in Chinese-only.

CRI English via Kashgar, EAST TURKISTAN is A-11 scheduled on 13640 at 15-16, but probably just turned on at $\star 1457$ with tail of previous hour. Then it's RFA Mandarin via TINIAN, also on 13640. The CRI broadcast serves to jam that.

Also heard Chinese on 13755 // weaker 13680; Cuba now off. These are listed in Aoki only for CRI in Chinese via Kashgar, EAST TURKISTAN, so not doing jamming duty there (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. CRI English via CANADA has made usual seasonal changes, Oct 30. No longer anything on 9650 during the 13-14 hour. At 1338 on 15230, way over resumed collision with RHC. At 1406, open carrier on 15230 maybe still Sackville, over maybe Cuba but also tone heard. CRI supposed to be on 13675 at 14-15, and maybe it was, but at 1505-1508+ 13675 is still on with looping RCI IS & IDs in English and French. Remember when Austria used to be relayed there? Nothing scheduled now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) CRI relays, often upmessed: see CANADA above; also AUSTRALIA [and non]

** COLOMBIA. MINISTRY PARACHUTE DROPS CHRISTIAN PACKAGES TO FARC GUERRILLAS --- By Alex Murashko | Christian Post Reporter

A persecution watchdog group from the United States is using a quasimilitary style operation to reach out to FARC guerrillas in Colombia by parachuting packages filled with Christian materials from an airplane onto the jungles below.

As one of its ministries, The Voice of the Martyrs supports the operation by partnering with a pilot and maintaining a plane. The

items inside each package include a Bible, Christian literature, and shortwave radios pre-set to two Christian stations.

What makes the sometimes dangerous and risky program even more unique is that VOM enables those people wanting to somehow participate in the operation to construct the parachutes used for the drops into the guerrilla-controlled areas.

Those having a heart to be a part of the mission can go online to the ministryís website to order a iParachute Packî that includes enough cloth, ribbon, glue, and plastic bags for Bibles, as well as instructions for assembling 10 to 30 parachutes, depending on the size pack ordered.

The program, only a few years old, was relaunched earlier this year after some modifications to the packs. The parachutes no longer require sewing for assembly, said VOMís Todd Nettleton, director of Media Development.

Nettleton told The Christian Post that all that one needs now are scissors and glue.

iWhen we launched the program in February, I don't know if we had little faith or not quite enough faith,î Nettleton said. iHowever, we had put together the packs to make 10,000 parachutes and within four days we had sent all those out and were frantically ordering more cloth, more ribbon, and trying to keep up with the demands.î

At the other end of VOM's operation, during his mission flights over the Colombian jungles, pilot Russell Stendal flies only a few hundred feet off the ground before opening the window of his Cessna to drop the parachute packages over a guerrilla camp.

iIt is a heavy jungle area and itís also the area that is controlled by the FARC guerrillas. So, to try and drive a truckload of Bibles into those areas you are going to go through areas of checkpoints where if they figure out that you've got a truckload of Bibles, things are not going to go well for you or the truck, or the whole process,î Nettleton said.

ilive been shot at a few times and one of my aircraft had multiple bullet holes in it,î stated Stendal on the groupis website. However, he has witnessed the positive results from the project as well.

iI have seen many guerrillas turn from their violent ways after reading the Bible and listening to our radio broadcasts,î Stendal said. iIf we want peace in Colombia, we have to point people, even terrorists, to the true source of peace and forgiveness.î

Nettleton said the parachute-making part of the program allows people ito really do something with their own hands, to reach out and spread the Gospel in a place where otherwise they're likely never to go.î

The FARC (In Spanish: Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia) is considered a Marxist-Leninist revolutionary guerrilla organization which is involved in Colombia's power-grab and drugwars. U.S. officials describe the group as a terrorist organization. An unknown number of Christians have been killed by the group and have been reported to kill their own members if suspected of converting to Christianity.

Despite the dangers, VOM wants to deliver 100,000 packages by parachutes, Nettleton said. He is not sure of the total number distributed so far and says the goal might be reached sometime next year.

iOur goal is to reach as many of the FARC guerrillas with the Gospel as possible and provide them with Christian materials not only initially for presenting them with the Gospel, but hopefully to disciple them and see them grow in their faith,î he said. iIn some cases we will know that happened here on earth and in some cases we will not know until we get to heaven.î

Those interested in the parachute program can go online to: http://www.persecution.com/Colombia

SOURCE: http://bit.ly/sazpBy
Parachute Columbia (Photo: The Voice of the Martyrs USA)

Voice of the Martyrs pilot Russell Stendal holds one of the parachute packages that include a Bible, Christian literature, and a shortwave radio. The packages are dropped down to FARC guerrilla-controlled areas of Columbia, October 2011.

More... http://www.persecution.com

ABOUT VOM

https://persecution.com/public/aboutVOM.aspx?clickfrom=bWFpbl9tZW51

The Voice of the Martyrs is a non-profit, inter-denominational Christian organization dedicated to assisting the persecuted church worldwide. VOM was founded in 1967 by Pastor Richard Wurmbrand, who was imprisoned 14 years in Communist Romania for his faith in Christ. His wife, Sabina, was imprisoned for three years. In the 1960s, Richard, Sabina, and their son, Mihai, were ransomed out of Romania and came to the United States. Through their travels, the Wurmbrands spread the message of the atrocities that Christians face in

restricted nations, while establishing a network of offices dedicated to assisting the persecuted church. The Voice of the Martyrs continues in this mission around the world today through the following main purposes:

Our ministry is based on Hebrews 13:3: Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.

Help

We help Christians who are or have been, persecuted for their involvement in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. We provide medical assistance, food, clothing, and other forms of aid.

Love

We support Christians who are willing to invite their fellow men, even their persecutors, to Jesus Christ through faithful deeds of love in a hostile environment. We supply Bibles, literature, radios, and other evangelistic tools.

Encourage

We encourage persecuted Christians by giving their testimony a voice, informing Christians in the USA to know how to help. We believe that the lives and the testimony of persecuted Christians is a vital part of the fellowship of all believers and will challenge and strengthen the faith of Christians everywhere.

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(via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

the fixed-tuned radios of course are set on 5910 and 6010, Colombia para Cristo, stations of the pilot Russell Stendal (gh, DXLD) e.g.:

5909.97, R. Alcarav·n, 0917, weak with local ballads and EZL music, comments by man, time check. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA? 27064.9v, Spanish/English preacher. 2245-2355 October 30, 2011. Per D. Crawford tip (and site tentative per some references, I am told), very good in AM mode with Spanish male preacher, each sentence translated by US-accented female. Into contemporary Spanish Christian vocals block from 2316-2333, then back to Spanish/English

scripture reads. Signal dropping down fast at tune-out. Must be a recorded or relayed source (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO. 6115, Radio Congo, 1757, still here but running low mod; fair with talk by a French man, clear ID as "Radio-Congo", into news at 1800. Best copy in LSB. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. 5066.44, Radio TÈLÈ-CANDIP, 1721, poor with French talk and hilife, only partially readable with UTE lowside. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COSTA RICA. 9280-9950 approx., awful splatter from totally out of whack REE Cariari transmitter on 9630, Nov 1 at 0515 ruining everything on 31m with only a few strong signals almost overcoming it, such as Russia on 9840. No doubt about source as despite extreme distortion, could // modulation to 3350, and only with BFO could still detect a carrier on 9630. The mush was worse, the closer to 9630, of course, tapering toward the edges of above range. Presumably continued until 0600*, still same at final check 0539.

Fingers crossed that they get it fixed before next 02-06 analog broadcast Nov 2. May well have something to do with DRM, as same transmitters is in that mode from 9630 at 00-02. What brand unit is that, anyway? It's gone haywire before, but not this bad (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SPAIN

9675, Nov 2 at 0554, REE relay is now here instead of 9630, with `Mundo Solidario` show being outroed. Modulation OK. I was apprehensive since 24 hours earlier this was on 9630, or rather covering the entire 31m band with totally out-of-whack transmission.

Both frequencies are always registered, not identically, but they only use one of them:

9630 0200 0600 10,11,12N CRI 100 0 0 925 1234567 301011 250312 D SPANISH E REE REE 6022

9675 0200 0600 7,8,10,11 CRI 100 340 0 145 1234567 301011 250312 D SPANISH E REE REE 6032

Some times before in A-11, REE has jumped from usual 9630 to 9675.

BTW, totally different propagation tonight before 0600, as 9675 was almost the OSOB, besides weak Gabon 9580. None of the usual US stations were audible, 9330, 9370, 9955. Higher bands were dead except

for weak NZ/Australia on 11725, 13630, 13730-DRM, 15160, 15240 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SPAIN

** CROATIA [non]. 7375, Oct 30 at 0535, VG signal with song in Spanish, what else but Croatian Radio via Wertachtal, GERMANY? Now running one hour later due to standard time in Europe, but NOT YET in target North America. Who cares about the clox and convenience of the listeners? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CROATIA. Tentative winter B-11 schedule of Croatian Radio HS-1 in Croatian
0658-1647 on 7370 DEA 100 kW / 320 deg to WeEU/NoAF
1648-0657 on 3985 DEA 100 kW / 000 deg to WeEU

1648-0657 on 3985 DEA 100 kW / 000 deg to WeEU (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD) Not including German relays

They're indeed on 7370 at 1140, rather faintly here. Only a 10 kW transmitter is still in use at Deanovec, as explicitly confirmed by the transmitter operator OIV. Another instance of HFCC data not reflecting the real operational parameters (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 980, Radio Reloj, unidentified location. 2312 October 26, 2011. Weak with time sounders, and as seemingly forever, 3-4 seconds slow. Listed as Bayamo in the WRTH-2011; Moa, HolguÌn in Mauricio Molano's list; and not on my admittedly stale Paul V. Zecchino list

1140, Radio Rebelde, unknown site. Not listed in the WRTH-2011 or Paul V. Zecchino's list; listed as Morûn, Ciego de ;vila (25 kW); and Aguada, Cienfuegos (1 kW). But from extensive monitoring, it is also likely any of the western Cuba (other) stations on 1140. Those of which spastically alternate networks, to complicate matters. Fair-to-poor in the pileup of other Cubans on the channel.

1020, Radio Artemisa, Artemisa, Artemisa. 1555 October 31, 2011. Lots of sloppiness here. Cuban vocals ending at 1600, followed by almost to minutes of open carrier. Then, even more amusingly at 1659, they patched into the Noticiero Nacional de Radio feed a little too early, capturing the male canned "Rebelde de Habana" ID ahead of NNdR. Which also might confirm that Rebelde is the actual first generation source of NNdR, vs. something taken down independent of any network. Parallel much weaker 1000.

1220, Radio Caribe, La FÈ, Isla de la Juventud. 2345 October 28, 2011. Nice traditional Cuban vocals, male and female bantering, telcopatched man regarding physical street directions to an outdoor event tonight, live female ID at 0000: "En Radio Caribe, ocho de la noche... territorio libre en AmÈrica, Radio Caribe, desde la Isla de la Juventud." Excellent. Also noted excellent 0600-0800 October 30,

similar ID's.

This one is rapidly becoming a favorite background music station overnights with a big mostly ground (water path) signal, much like the old days when they were on 1270, especially the latter days when the transmitter became massively overmodulated and seemingly eventually melted down. Oh, they have a 4-chime theme or quasi interval signal, sometimes used top-of-hour, but used just 1 X and not repeated.

Abridged pile of junk: JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund HQ-180A; Aqua Guide 705 Radio Direction Finder; Sangean PR-D5; Sony ICF-7600GR; GE SuperRadio III; RadioShack DX-399; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X in-room random wire (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. The following logs were made local late morning/early afternoon on November 1, 2011 at Honeymoon Island State Park, Dunedin, Florida, and appended with [HISP] for anyone reproducing/sorting. Additional HISP appending: -R75 indicates the log was made using a stock ICOM IC-R75 with 200-feet of random wire on the parking lot ground, running roughly NW; -D5 indicates Sangean PR-D5 portable sitting on a Target bamboo lazy Susan atop the car roof. All times/dates are in GMT.

I mostly tried not to replicate logs made during my last session here awhile back. Critter visitors encountered this time: a young gopher tortoise on the antenna path, and a pygmy rattler (the latter personally removed from the food stand deck with an umbrella pole, while all those around were terrorized at the presence of the cute little thing). Also, amused to notice a big plastic garbage can inside a restroom with neatly stenciled "HISP" on the side. The State clearly stole my four-letter DX site designator.

660, Radio Progreso, Jovellanos, Matanzas. 1612 November 1, 2011. Traditional Cuban vocals, fair, parallel excellent 640. [HISP-D5]

860, Radio Reloj, unknown site. 1714 November 1, 2011. With big WGUL, Dunedin nulled best as possible, this one present. Four locations listed in Mauricio Molano's list, all but Guant·namo theoretically possible daytime here, but Jovellanos, Matanzas most likely without careful LOB, which I didn't have the ability with me to do remotely. [HISP-R75]

880, Radio Progreso, Pinar del RÌo, Pinar del RÌo. 1602 November 1, 2011. Fair, better than parallel 890. [HISP-D5]

910, Radio Metropolitana, Villa Marla, Ciudad de la Habana. 1707 November 1, 2011. Good once the local WTWD, Plant City nulled, with Noticiero Nacional de Radio relay. [HISP-R75]

1140, Radio Mayabeque, la Salud, Mayabeque. 1655 November 1, 2011. Tune-in to radio novela, ending 1658 and male canned, "Esta es Radio Maybeque... la voz Mayabeque... 104.7 FM...(no reference to any onda media channel, so proud they must be of the FM I guess)" into way totally cool solo bell interval signal, roughly 20-ish chimes, played thrice (not the rarely heard ICRT interval signal), into patched Noticero Nacional de Radio news. Came out of NNdR at 1729 with the interval signal once, then the same canned ID as at 1658, patter and into Cuban vocals. Very good. [HISP-R75] (Terry L Krueger, FL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 1620, Radio Rebelde, 0945, battling many low-power cochannels, briefly on top with "La Habana" by a man. First time reception on this freq. 26 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. It's the first day of B-11, Oct 30, and both the DentroCuban Jamming Command and R. Martl/Greenville are confused, but astute listeners may temporarily hear RM without jamming!

5745, Oct 30 at 1323, there's RM with fair signal on a B-11-only frequency, and NO jamming. This should not come as a surprise as HFCC was available a week in advance, and RM always uses this in the B seasons. Now scheduled 11-14; and WWRB at 22-04, but probably wooden; WYFR has wisely (?) skipped using it this season at any time, since once the DCJC discovers it, jamming will extend beyond the RM hours.

9805, Oct 30 at 1327, heavy jamming against nothing, as RM does not use this frequency at all in B-seasons.

11845, Oct 30 at 1330, jamming, but no Martl, another A-season-only frequency.

11930, Oct 30 at 1330, RM with talk about Pablo Neruda, ``Arte de $P \cdot jaros$ ``, NO jamming. RM uses 11930 in both seasons, but in B-11 starts an hour earlier, 13-22, instead of 14-24 in A-11. More below.

13820, Oct 30 at 1333 jamming and no RM audible. Now scheduled 14-22 instead of 13-20. More below:

15330, Oct 30 at 1407, R. Martl reactivated on this B-season-only frequency, but it's music fill, lost feed from Miami, played from Greenville? No announcements, no jamming. 1407 same music cuts on 13820 vs jamming, then back off. 1408 check, same music vs jamming on

11930. At 1428 on 15330, fill music cuts to R. Martl programming in progress, neat parody of Cuban broadcasting mentioning ``etecsa.biz``, ha ha, and a faux clip of R. Reloj complete with time tix, promoting `Interferencia` show on RM 1180 & OC, Sat & Sun 2 & 10 pm [EDT/EST], plus `Las Noticias Como Son` [another play on words], L-V 8 pm & midnite. Past 1500, 15330 still VG, no jamming, as the DCJC hasn`t caught on that it`s B-11 already and the RM schedule has made its entirely predictable changes.

BTW, tuning around Sunday morning, RHC is still on all its usual A-11 channels. Maybe in a week Arnie will have decided what changes to make there. See also CHINA [and non]

Day 2 of B-11, Oct 31, and the incompetent DentroCuban Jamming Command still doesn't have its act together to block R. Martì.

5980, at 1231, there is lite pulse jamming under RM, but nothing like the Wall of Noise totally blocking 6030. RM is plugging etecsa.biz, which I first thought was just to poke fun at the Cuban government internet provider, but if you go there, it forwards to Psiphon, proxy server! To get around DentroCuban censorship. Then they chanted ``9955`` over and over making me wonder if WRMI is now relaying Martl at this hour too, but Jeff White says it`s still M-F 22-23 only.

9805, at 1239, still WON jamming against vacated R. Martì.

11845, at 1350, still jamming no Martì.

11930, at 1350, RM loud and clear with no jamming (meanwhile oblivious Arnie is on RHC 11830 talking about Chinese TV sets).

15330, at 1405, RM still unjammed; 1441 in `El Revoltillo` anti-Communist sell & swap show giving phone and e-mail contact info

Nov 1, the third day of B-11 and the DentroCuban Jamming Command still hasn't adjusted for R. Martl's new schedule:

5745, RM fair with no jamming after 1300

11845, heavy jamming against nothing at 1319

11930, RM very good with no jamming at 1319

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5040, Nov 2 at 0609, RHC is still on way past usual 0500*, about as strong signal as Rebelde 5025, but weaker modulation. Can this be a sign of things to come in B-11? Op fell asleep at the switch? One+hour later due to local time of UT-5 ex UT-4 already?

Day 4 of B-11, and the DentroCuban Jamming Command still hasn't caught up with R. Martl's new schedule, allowing it to penetrate unscathed to

the information-starved and oppressed masses inside Cuba:

5745 and 5980, Nov 2 at 1235, RM with no jamming.
9805 and 11845, sometime before 1300 Nov 2, heavy jamming vs no RM.
15330 at 1334 with lite pulse jamming --- has the DCJC caught on? Not necessarily, as residual jamming was often audible here during the entire A-season when RM was never using 15330. At 1345 the jamming is upbuilding. But at 1402, RM is active on 15330 now, and no jamming yet detectable (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 24997-25022 and 23975-24000, OTH radar pulses, presumed from here, Oct 28 at 1426; none others heard in the 22-26 range, but there was some CODAR again above 25 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. CHINA. 13685, CRI, Kashi. HH for Europe. Fair level with CC songs and HH descriptions at 1045, 21/10 (Dennis Allen, Milperra NSW (Icom R75,m Realistic DX 160, Longwire), Nov Australian DX News via DXLD)

What's HH?? Hakka? Hellenic? Hungarian? Yet another reason to do away with these double-letter language abbreviations. The only one that makes any sense is SS but only when it really stands for `Spanish-speaking`. Or maybe AA for Arabic since there are two A's in the word (gh, DXLD)

13855, Oct 31 at 1356, Chinese `opera` music bit and then talk. Only thing in HFCC on this frequency at any time is CRI Chinese service via Wulumuchi, 13-14, 500 kW, 308 degrees to Europe (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 01/11/2011 0411, 3810, HD2IOA, Ist. Ocean. Armada - Guayaquil, AM, EQA Bip...Bip..time signal. Ciao e buoni DX! (- Mauro - Giroletti, -Swl 1510-, -IK2GFT- playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD) One bip every dekasecond after time announcement (gh, DXLD)

3810-LSB, HD2IOA, noted 0900+ weakly, with time pips and male announcements in H:M:S format. 3 Nov (David Sharp NSW, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, LSB, not AM. Haven't heard it for months here despite frequent chex, but high noise level and conditions have to be just right (gh, ibid.)

Thank you David - we also noted HD2IOA several times early AM on 30 October 2011, from our remote listening post near Half Moon Bay, California, exactly as you describe (Bruce Jensen, CA, USA, ibid.)

- ** ECUADOR. 1030.00, R, Ecuantena, Guayaquil, 15/10 1020-1059, 22222, mx bolero por Julio Jaramillo. ID ``Est· usted escuchando Ecuantena", mx LA rom·ntica, ID "desde Guayaquil, Ecuador, trasmite Ecuantena, 1030" http://www.radioecuantena.com.ec/
- 1160.00, R. VÌa, Machala, 8/10 1025-1040, 22222, mxf, pasillo, ID "Recuerde usted que todos los dÌas puede escuchar por Radio VÌa, estos lindos pasillos en Alegre Amanecer"
- 4814.95, R. El Buen Pastor, Saraguro, 4/10 1035-1135, 22222, px religioso sobre las im·genes e Ìdolos; mx luego, hablan en dialecto. Ads banco Ecuatoriano, mxf. TAMBI...N: 5/10 1015-1245, 33333, mxf en dialecto, ID "Saludos a todos los amigos de todas las parroquias que est·n en sintonìa de radio El Buen Pastor", programa Impacto Informativo, hablan sobre la producciÛn de leche. http://www.radiobp.com/
- (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per⁻, EL CHASQUI DX OCTUBRE 2011, via Dario Monferini, Oct 27, playdx yg via DXLD) See PERU
- ** EGYPT. 9305, Radio Cairo, 0640, Arabic, horribly muffled audio, talk by a man, indigenous music. Very strong signal but nearly unlistenable, due to distortion. 25 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** EGYPT. 15710, Oct 28 at 1400-1402* tone test; surely the only thing scheduled, 1230-1400 R. Cairo in Indonesian, 250 kW, 106 degrees from Abis (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, Radio Africa, NOT: see ITALY [non]
- ** ERITREA. Asmara observed on 20 & 21 Oct: Program 1 on 7205 kHz s/on 0255 UT with IS and no jammed till 0430 UT. Program 2 s/on at 0255 UT with same IS on 7175, 9720 & 9820 kHz and from 0357 UT heard on 4770 \\ 7130 \\ 7175 \\ 7215 \\ 9720 & 9820 kHz all jammed from 0359 UT with DRM white noise (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, Oct 26, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)
- ** ETHIOPIA [non]. ESAT Radio: The broadcast schedule was 15370 1700-1800 and as of October 30 was still shown as such on their website. On November 1 the website said that they use 15390 Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 15370 Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday (Mike Barraclough, Nov World DX Club Contact via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)
- ** EUROPE. So it must be winter. WR International --- Good morning guys, Well it's Sunday again and the clocks went back 1 hour at 2 a.m

this morning so the end of British summer time and welcome to GMT. This is just a short note to let you know that WR International is on the air again today at 12257 kHz short wave Live from 0800 GMT. You can listen on-line now at shoutcast.com (search for WR International) or the url is http://radio.wrinternational.co.uk:8003/listen.pls also with the radio destiny software search for us at http://www.pirateradionetwork.com in the mixed format section.

Please feel free to get in touch with us, e-mail radio @ wrinternational.co.uk text +447539441912 Happy listening guys if you can or choose to, have a wonderful day today. Dave http://www.wrinternational.co.uk (via Roberto Scaglione, Sicily 0755 UT Oct 30, shortwave yg via DXLD)

Pirate-Euro: Radio Malta/Shortwave Radio Malta, 6940 AM, 0238----0415+, 10-31-11 booming SIO: 444 signal, playing music. Saying broadcasting from the middle of the Mediterranean. Gave email address: shortwavemalta@hotmail.com for reports. Signal on par with Mystery Radio, same transmitter? (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receiver: Eton E1, 40 meter dipole, Cumbre DX via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also UNIDENTIFIED 6940

** FINLAND. 25000, MIKES Time Station, 0610, presumed with time pips. Possible carrier+USB, but very weak. Hard to imagine it's only 100-watts. Never heard before. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL: Ciao! Mikes Time Signal 25000 kHz, QSL Letter in 10 days. Address: Centre for Meteorology and Accreditation, P. O. Box 9, Espoo. V/s: Valevi Kalliomaki, Ilkka Iisakka, Tapio Mansten. Sent 1 IRC, Sent it back! (Roberto Pavanello, Italy, via Dario Monferini, Oct 28, playdx yg via DXLD)

** FRANCE [and non]. 21690, Oct 30 at 1348, RFI in French with musical background. Usage of this frequency much expanded for B-11, via GUF at 1000-1330 and 1700-2000; via Issoudun at 08-10, 1330-1600, per HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another strike has been called at RFI, from Wednesday, November 2, at 2300 UT until Friday, November 4, at 0600 UT, in conjunction with a court hearing in Paris on Thursday. The workers' Health, Safety and Work Conditions committee has filed an action before the Tribunal de Grande Instance, complaining that there are still no concrete plans for the merger of RFI, MCD and France 24, with no program schedules in French or other languages reflecting post-merger plans. (Mike Cooper, GA, Nov 2, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. AFN Europe, Weisskirchen, 873, f/d logo/towers e-QSL card in less than 3 hours for English email report, V/s Glenn Wells, Frequency Manager, AFN Europe. This station was heard via a remote receiver in Northern Ireland. Mr. Wells states that the correct address for paper reports is AFN Europe, Frequency Management, CMR 418, Unit 29405, APO AE 09058 USA. If you are happy with an eQSL, you may email him at glenn.l.wells (at) us(dot)army(dot)mil and they will verify 100%. The management there is enthused about receiving reports, and the eQSL is quite nice! My AFN Europe QSL from the early 80's was a very drab drawn microphone card. They've come a long way. 73 (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. B-11 Classic Broadcast Sendezentrum Kall

Die neuen Winterfrequenzen sind online. Gr^flere fnderungen auf 3995 kHz (Tests) und winterbedingte Sendezeitverk rzung auf 6005 kHz.

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Kurzwellenfrequenz 3995 kHz

Montag-Sonntag 0500-0900 UTC: Radio HCJB

Montag-Sonntag 0900-1100 UTC: Ausbreitungstests via Classic Broadcast

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Montag-Sonntag 1800-2200 UTC: Radio HCJB

Kurzwellenfrequenz 5980 kHz

Montag-Sonntag 1000-1100 UTC: Hamburger Lokalradio

Kurzwellenfrequenz 6005 kHz

Montag-Sonntag 0700-1800 UTC: Radio 700 Kurzwellendienst mit "Schlager & Oldies", darin:

Montag-Sonntag 0700-0900 UTC: Radio Belarus, deutsches Programm Montag-Sonntag 1100-1115 UTC: Missionswerk Freundesdienst Montag-Samstag 1730-1745 UTC: Missionswerk Freundesdienst Sonntags 1200-1400 UTC: Pur Radio 1 (Belgien) jeder 1. Sonntag im Monat: 1000-1100 UTC: Radio Joystick jeder 4. Sonntag im Monat: 1000-1100 UTC: Radio Gloria International

Kurzwellenfrequenz 6085 kHz

jeder 3. Samstag im Monat: 1100-1800 UTC: Radio Marabu

http://www.shortwaveservice.com (Christian Milling, Germany, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also via Wolfgang B schel

Kall classic tx site txions

At present 1015 Oct 30, Kall tx site uses 3995 on test, 5980 HLR Hamburg, 6005 kHz. 5980 wandered down from 5980.098 to \times .041, to \times .034 kHz at 1010 UT. 73 (Wolfgang B schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: World of Radio imminent on 5980 --- 18.10.2011 6:26, Glenn Hauser kirjoitti: ``I would appreciate some informal reports at least from UK and Europe, on how reception is for WORLD OF RADIO, now scheduled Tuesdays at 0930 UT on Hamburger Lokal Radio, Germany, 5980. Tnx, Glenn Hauser``

Very weak, but at times readable here 2 Mm away. QRM by co-channel Martì. Had to use LSB due to strong ute on 5982 kHz (Mauno Ritola, Finland, 1145 UT Sunday Oct 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

?? Tnx, but I guess on Sunday you were hearing some other programming on HLR (gh, DXLD)

HAMBURGER LOCAL RADIO TEST TRANSMISSIONS ON 7265 KHZ

Dear Listeners, All this week Test Transmissions from Hamburger Local Radio are running via the Shortwave transmitting station G^hren Germany (MV Baltic Radio). These tests will be between 0700 to 1500 utc at irregular intervals. The frequency will be 7265 KHz with a power of 1 KW. All Reports to: m.kittner @ freenet.de (Hamburger) or info @ mvbalticradio.de Good Listening 73s (Tom Taylor, Nov 1, via Wolfgang B_schel, dxldyg via DXLD) also via Joe Talbot, AB

HLR on 7265 kHz --- greetings from the Baltic Coast
HLR = Hamburger Lokalradio is testing on 7265 kHz from G^hren (MV
Baltic Radio) with 1 kW. vy 73 Peter, QTH: Stralsund : 13 6¥10¥¥ E;
54 16¥23¥¥ N, RX: mod.DEGEN DE 1103 Ant: Teleskop/TG 34, meine QSL¥s
auch auf: http://www.bclnews.it/qsl http://www.kurzwelle-historisch.de

(Peter Vaegler, Germany, 0807 UT Oct 29, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

7265, Hamburger Local Radio, 1415-1500*, 11-01, male, comments in German, at 1529 music and comments, male and female, instrumental music and more comments. Close at 1500. 24222 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500 and Sony ICF SW 7600 G Cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hamburger Local Radio Test Transmissions on 7265 KHz

Hi. Sinfo 54555, khz 7265, 1334 UT, S9+20. Rx Kenwood R 5000 Ant. Long wire 180 ml. 73 de (Davide Morotti, Nov 1, SWL I/05712/MI, QTH Trescore Balneario (BG) alt. 388 msl, http://swl05712.blogspot.com/ Skype: davide.morotti1 bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

ALEMANIA, 7265, Hamburger Local Radio, 1415-1500*, 11-01, locutor, comentarios en alem·n, a las 1529 m'sica y comentarios por locutor y locutora, m'sica instrumental, y m·s comentarios en alem·n. Cierre a las 1500. 24222 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Espada, Escuchas en Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500 y Sony ICF SW 7600 G, Antena de cable, 8 metros noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. 15470, Oct 30 at 1437, religion in English, song. This will not be helpful to LRA36 whenever it appear on 15476. HFCC B-11 had double conflicting registrations on 15470: 13-15 daily, YFR in Bengali via Nauen, but Sundays only 14-15 some other MBR client via Wertachtal, plus Saturdays only 1430-1500. So what was this, really? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. YouTube - Juelich or Wertachtal site? Re video below. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1cDFg5yoRc&feature=related> Is this Juelich or Wertachtal bc site ? 73's (Ian Baxter, Australia, Oct 21, SWtx site via BC-DX Oct 27 via DXLD)

Most probably is the LATE JUELICH site - before scrapping, due to this antenna tower design and the little bush woods (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Deutsche Welle new/cancelled programs --- This is not new info but it is concise, up to date and direct from DW. JL

(From a DW email received this morning)

Dear Radio partners, We wanted to make you aware of some upcoming changes re Deutsche Welle's English radio programs: Due to a major shift in Deutsche Welle's global media strategy, we will be discontinuing a number of programs at the end of October 2011. At the same time we will be introducing a new radio show called WorldLink

The list below outlines all the programs that will be discontinued and those that will continue. Programs that will continue:

World Newscasts (5'); 6 x per day

Magazines:

Spectrum (30') (brodcast on Mondays and available in the AudioDepot as of Mondays 16.30 UTC)

Living Planet (30') (broadcast on Thursdays, available in AudioDepot as of Thursdays 16.30 UTC)

World in Progress (30') (broadcast on Wednesdays, available in AudioDepot as of Wednesdays 16.30 UTC)

Pulse (30') (broadcast on Tuesdays, available in AudioDepot as of Tuesdays, 16.30 UTC)

Inside Europe (30') (broadcast on Fridays; however already available in AudioDepot as of Thursdays at 16.30 UTC)

Inside Europe (59') (broadcast on Sundays, however already available in AudioDepot as of Thursdays at 16.30 UTC)

New program:

WorldLink (55') (broadcast on Saturdays, available in AudioDepot as of Fridays)

Here are the programs that will be cancelled:

Hourly newscasts (will be reduced to 6 per day)
Newslink
Newslink Plus
European Business Week
Arts on the air
Inspired Minds
Living in Germany
In-box
Sport Report
Correspondence Report

With best regards from Germany (via Jerry Lenamon, Waco TX, Oct 27, cumbredx via DXLD)

It makes you wonder if Margot Forbes and Rita Oliver (of "In Box") and Deborah Friedman (of "Hits in Germany") saw the writing on the wall and jumped ship before being forced to walk the plank (Mark Coady, Ont., ibid.)

Some rather severe changes listed here! Wonder what will replace Newslink & Newslink Plus on the schedule? Those programs account for >40% of the 24-hour day during the week (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

[Later:] I poked around DW's satellite schedule and I have answered my own question somewhat; looks like nothing will be on for many of the hours between :05 and :30.

There currently is a satellite feed labeled "DW02" that is 24/7 English. That feed does not appear in the B11 satellite listing. Sad; DW provided a useful continental difference in perspective to that of the BBC (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA, ibid.)

Yet, during the limited hours they still will broadcast on hf to Africa and Asia, the schedule still shows 30 and 55 minute transmissions.

DW has an iPhone app --- wonder if this (and the 24/7 internet audio feed) will now be truncated or diverted to an audio feed of the TV service when "radio programming" is not scheduled. It's very evident that staff is chuffed by these decisions. The last programs for Inspired Minds and Arts on the Air are positively funereal (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ibid.)

DW: End of Newslink

More sad news for HF broadcasting: Deutsche Welle Radio just announced the end of Newslink after a decade of shows. Resources are being moved to online and TV, per Rena Galtenburg [sp?] Head of Current Affairs.

I can not find anything regarding this on their web site, nor their new programming schedule, at this time. I will miss this show greatly. I hope it will be replaced with something just as good. Other 1/2 hour shows such as Living Planet, Spectrum etc are not affected (Andy Reid, Ont., 2133 UT Oct 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

But others are. Here's what I've been able to piece together from several sources so far ---

Gone: Newslink, Newslink Plus, European Business Week, Arts on the Air, Inspired Minds, Living in Germany, In-Box, Sports Report, Correspondents Report

Kept and New: News (updated just six times a day, six days a week), followed by a new weekday program for Africa called "Africa Link", (I assume this means a new program for Asia called "Asia Link", as well, though so far unannounced), Spectrum on Mondays, Pulse on Tuesdays, World in Progress on Wednesdays, Living Planet on Thursdays, Inside Europe (a 30' version) on Fridays, Worldlink on Saturdays and Inside

Europe (a 60' version) on Sundays.

The announcement on Newslink was unclear about the future of live streaming. The remarks seemed to indicate that other than this daily one hour transmission repeated several times throughout the day (on shortwave, at least, to Africa and Asia--the only remaining targets), all programming would be available on-demand and this was the way of the future. "The days when the programs came streaming out of your radio or computer are coming to an end," was the gist of the remark. Taken literally, the 24/7 stream in English would appear to be over, but I suspect that--at least in the short term--the 24/7 stream will continue for the immediate present given the existence of the DW iPhone app, for one thing. It'll just be the same 60 minutes looped for 24 hours, with the exception of "Africa Link" and the assumed "Asia Link" at times appropriate to those regions.

The sad and unfortunate "hollowing out" of another formerly prominent international broadcaster. Wonder what's in store for RNW starting Sunday (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ibid.)

DW's use of a continuous repeat (with freshened newscasts and the different regionally-focused programs) 24/7 online would parallel RNW's approach to live online streaming, which RNW has long advised was highly repetitious. I hadn't heard about the new "Link" programs before now - was this announced during Newslink?

I agree that it's a sad development; while it is good that DW still wishes to serve international audiences, radio is a much more useful medium to me. I can't watch TV too easily as I'm driving to and from work (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA odxa yg via DXLD)

----Original message----From: myDW@dw-world.de
Sent: 28/10/2011, 22:15
To: tony.ashar@gmail.com

Subject: DW-RADIO/English - Information

Dear friend of Deutsche Welle, You have been listening to the DW-RADIO/English program for a long time and we hope that Deutsche Welle will remain a frequently used source of information for you also in future. Much to our regret we have to inform you that there will be no more shortwave broadcasts in English for your area as from October 30, 2011. The live stream will also be terminated. But DW-RADIO/English will still be available via the satellite AsiaSat 3S. And on our web site http://www.dw-world.de you will find a large attractive offer.

We would like to explain to you our reasons for deciding to largely discontinue shortwave transmissions of our radio broadcasts. The

worldwide rise of the internet, mobile reception and media convergence have transformed methods and habits of communicating. DW and all other international broadcasters have to ride these changes. Shortwave is nowadays rarely used in most regions of the world, with the sole exception of Africa. As a result, the English shortwave broadcasts outside of Africa will be discontinued as from October 30, 2011.

However, DW will still be at your side to provide you with quality information. We are committed to strengthening our internet offer, TV programming and playout on mobile devices. We believe this is the best way for us to continue offering you strong, high-quality information.

We very much hope you will stay with us. Yours sincerely, Customer Service

Deutsche Welle CRM / Customer Service Kurt-Schumacher-Str. 3 53113 Bonn Germany

T. +49-228-429-4000 mailto: info @ dw-world.de (via Tony Ashar, Indonesia, Oct 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

Sounds a lot like the miserably failed SRI/SBC "Swissinfo" approach. But we'll hope for better (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ibid.

It's quite unbelieveable that DW are stopping the live webstream. They mustn't want any listeners at all! Probably getting ready to close DW Radio in the next few years and having hardly any listeners is the ideal excuse (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, ibid.)

Re: (on shortwave, at least, to Africa and Asia -- the only remaining targets)

Only Africa remains. All DW will still transmit on shortwave to Asia as of tomorrow are Pashto, Dari, Urdu and Chinese, and in the case of the latter it is still unclear if this will be a 30 or 60 minutes programme.

Otherwise and generally DW drops linear radio altogether. I would not count on a continuing English output, beyond what is still to be transmitted on shortwave, since it has been clearly announced that no such output will be kept for German. And a German radio journalist said to me that "I can't help but suspect that this scandalous development just gives us a small outlook on the very general future of linear radio distribution".

By the way, today German already sounds like "does not matter

anymore". The news at 0800 were full of slips (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, a subsequent announcement on one of the last Newslink broadcasts and a check of the DW web site made that a bit clearer. Six hours to Africa only on SW: 0400-0700 and 1900-2200. A new program called "Africa Link" on weekdays to bridge between the news at the top and the few remaining features at the bottom of the hour. As to linear broadcasting via live internet stream, that does appear to be ending, as well. The DW iPhone app and the DW web site will have streaming video, but all audio will be confined to podcast/on-demand only. Morale at DW must be even lower than that at the BBC (John Figliozzi, ibid.)

The Africa Link program was announced during Newslink. There will be no Asia Link because broadcasts to Asia in English are ending as well. There will be just six one hour broadcasts a day in English on sw to Africa only: 0400-0700 and 1900-2200 There was also a definite statement that the 24 hour streaming service was ending.

The SW transmissions originating from Kigali toward West Africa should remain receivable in at least eastern NA. Ironically, we're back to hearing DW (temporarily no doubt) via HF only here. (Of course, I'm discounting the podcasts from that observation.) (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ibid.)

** GERMANY [non]. 17840, via Sines, PORTUGAL, good Oct 29 at 1415 with silly ballgame in German, // fair 15330 via Woofferton, UK and not synchronized. Well, we won't have to bother with this nonsense any longer as this is the last day for *any* German-language SW from DW.

One may find which other stations are still broadcasting in German via http://www.addx.de/Hfpdat/plaene.php
Check the AM/DRM box only to get rid of all the satellite and internet listings, but there is no way to get rid of the DRM and AM/MW, i.e.
AM/SW only. The list would get even shorter if one could sort out the gospel huxters. As of Oct 29, still not showing B-11 info. We have previously found this source to be unreliable for other languages, retaining outdated info even tho the current date be autodisplayed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See PORTUGAL; SRI LANKA!

---- Original Message ---- From: "Kai Ludwig" Sent: Sunday, October 30, 2011 12:29 AM
Subject: [A-DX] Re: [A-DX] 6075

> F_sr die Historiker unter uns: Jetzt beginnt die letzte Stunde der DW > auf 6075 kHz.

Und nun ist in Rampisham eine Atombombe explodiert, oder wird die Ausstrahlung in zwei Stunden auch nochmal stattfinden? Entweder dieses oder jenes war/wird jedenfalls auch die letzte Zuckung von dort; der letzte Beeb der Piep ist dort schon gelaufen.

Jetzt erstmal Trincomalee auf 9765 kHz, Kigali auf 9895 kHz und Sines auf 11865 kHz. Gaffen ist sch^n! (Kai Ludwig, A-DX via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

Kai, hier meine beiden DWL Mitschnitte, wenn Du sie f RBB gebrauchen kannst?

6075 kHz DWL Deutsch bis 21.59:10 UT aus Skelton Cumbria England. Switch OFF des Senders mitten im Telefongespr‰ch mit einem CSU Herren Huber aus Oberbayern.

Danach eher einige stillere Signale zu h^ren, vor allem vom 6080 kHz Kanal her bei 10 kHz Bandbreite kein Wunder.

Von dort Radio Marumby in Portugiesisch, h^rte sich wie Fuflball bertragung an, dazu Germu-China in Chines. und VOA Botswana in English mit Time Pips um 2200 UT.

11865 kHz Sines Portugal in Deutsch 22-23 UT, TX Sines switch off at 2300:03 UT. 73 wolfgang df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, cc zu DXLD mit klippen)

Deutsche Welle English Internet Stream --- The stream is still open, but as of 0100 UT it is broadcasting just the DW interval signal. Will check at 0400 to hear if it carries the English programming to Africa which starts at that hour on shortwave (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, 0126 UT Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DW Live Stream Offline --- Dear Fellow Hobbyists: I just checked the DW World site and clicked on "Media Center" and there was an apology loop announcement of being "Unavailable". No further announcements, no Fidelio IS either, so it must be offline or gone altogether. It had been noted that DW in Bonn was overhauling big time, dropping German and phasing out live streaming and closing Sines and Sri Lankan based relays on SW. One could speculate that DW's final days are imminent. 73's, (Noble West, TN, DXLDYG at 0201 UT Sunday, October 30, 2011 via DXLD)

As of 0321 UT there's a continuous loop playing "Deutsche Welle radio's live stream offering is currently unavailable. We apologize for the interruption." (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

It depends on what stream you're accessing. There's that continuous loop you mention on my iPhone4 with the DW app. Yet, on my internet radio, I'm getting a continuous interval signal. It'll be interesting to hear what happens at 0400Z (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ODXA yg, 0331 via DXLD)

The continuous loop was on my PC in the "Media Center" (Richard Cuff, ibid.)

Well, my internet radio and the DW English link on my iPhone app remain unchanged (loop of interval signal; voice apologizing for unavailability of stream). But on the iPhone app, the DW Asia link is active and carrying the new "Worldlink" program. There is also a DX Asian option in the TuneIn app carrying the same program (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, 0413 UT Oct 30, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. UNID on 6075 --- 0852 tune in : IS of DW ".... Sie h^ren.... auslanddienst...." several times, then at 0854, programme in presumed english (too weak to be sure) which sounds like a commercial radio.... (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, 0904 UT Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That's the pirate station "Crazy Wave Radio" relaying the DW loop and now broadcasting their own programe. So no return of DW (D. K%hler, Germany, 0906 UT Oct 30, ibid.) See also RUSSIA [and non]

Deutsche Welle (no longer) on 6075 kHz --- since 0838 UT today (October 30) I am hearing a loop announcement in German on 6075 kHz saying that Deutsche Welle has ceased its German radio service. Signal is not too strong here, I wonder where it is coming from. I listened to their last minutes on 6075 yesterday shortly before 2200 UT. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, 0846 UT Oct 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Now seems to be a pirate on 6075 kHz: Crazy Wave Radio; have heard them before moving into the band. 73 (Harald Kuhl, 0855 UT, ibid.)

Un po' prima [di 0854 30 ott], su 6075 kHz, credevo fosse la DW con cattiva propagazione perchÈ il segnale era basso ed invece, sempre da Achims Free Radio Desaster, ho appurato che si trattava di Crazy Wave Radio. La DW mi sembra che aveva annunciato con oggi la chiusura della lingua tedesca in SW (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

DW: The day after [1 Attachment]
Summary of the events of the last half day:

6075 went off a few seconds after 2159 as scheduled while the programme, in this case the farewell show, was still ongoing. There

was no need for planning this whatsoever, with no transmissions being scheduled for the Rampisham transmitter plant in the 2200-2300 hour anymore. And this cut-off was not only the last gasp of DW on this frequency but also the last gasp of Rampisham altogether if I do not overlook something.

DW went with the UT day for the schedule change, so the final playout of German, still starting with live news, took place 2300-2400. In this hour no shortwave frequencies were scheduled, so the end came with the 2200-2300 playout, faintly heard here on 9895 from Kigali as well as on 9765 from Trincomalee and on 11865 from Sines. That 11865 transmission was in all likelyhood the swan song of Sines. Trincomalee had something scheduled for 2300-2400, too, Chinese on 9865, which I could not hear, but this not necessarily says that it was not on air anymore.

The former satellite channel of DW German, labelled "DW01", carries now (presumably since 0000 UT) a loop with a "this ****** radio station is closed" announcement and three strokes of IS in between. Program audio still goes out on "DW08", "DW09" and "DW-FM01". "DW08" and "DW-FM01" have been heard at 0630 in unidentified language, presumably Hausa, while "DW09" had English. "DW08" and "DW09" should act as feed channels for the remaining shortwave transmissions. "DW-FM01" could be the feed for the listed 96.0 in Kigali, although I see it only on Hotbird, not on Atlantic Bird 3 where it would have to be for picking it up in Rwanda.

All the other still active satellite channels, "DW02", "DW03", "DW05", "DW06", "DW-FM04" and "DW-FM07" now have just the IS ringing over and over. Of these "DW02" used to be the continuous English output, so the IS was (or perhaps still is) likewise heard on the former English live stream as long as it has not been killed. And the IS is still ringing on "DW-FEED1" as well, a channel on which at random checks never any other audio was on, so it remains a mystery for which kind of feeds it is/was meant. Presumably this situation will persist until sooner or later Media Broadcast (which still provides the Hotbird uplink for DW, also after losing the shortwave contracts) and the other uplink providers will kill these satellite channels or, perhaps, the DW radio main control room in Bonn will even earlier kill these studio outputs.

Not much was to be heard on shortwave since. At 1200 a faint carrier came on 17520, which could be Woofferton with DW French. Nothing heard on the other frequencies shown in HFCC so far (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 1240 UT Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. 9810 > 9855 > 9800 in descending order of strength, Nov 1 at 0519 DW English via RWANDA at 0 degrees; notable that tonight 9855 was way atop VOR English to W North America, 50 degrees from Vladivostok. When will frequency managers ever catch on that there are far more significant propagation factors than mere azimuths and nominal CIRAF target areas? This time with awful QRM from COSTA RICA, q.v.

9855, Oct 30 at 0522, rap music, soon to English discussion of refugees, interview with a London nightclub singer who is exploring her semi-Egyptian roots. Surely not BBC. No, it's DW with a legacy English broadcast to Africa on new B-11 schedule, and then found // on 9810 and 9800!

HFCC shows all three are Kigali, RWANDA, 210, 295 and 0 degrees from lowest to highest. 9800 goes to Portuguese at 0530 but the other two continue in English until 0557 or 0600. However, at 0545 recheck, 9810 and 9855 both went to dead air, carriers continuing. Not surprisingly, the one at 295 degrees, 9810, is strongest here.

Furthermore, 9855 is bad news for V. of Russia`s other frequency for English to WNAm, from Vladivostok, again scheduled this B-season at 04-06, 250 kW, 50 degrees; see also RUSSIA where // 9840 is colliding with another Russian.

21550, Oct 30 at 1347, Hausa mentioning Somalia, Nigeria, new frequency for DW via Rwanda at 13-14, ex-21780 in A-11, but why? There's no reason to switch between these two except change for the sake of change (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re 0545 dead air: Presumably Kigali messed it up, unless something was wrong with the feeds on Atlantic Bird 3. On Hotbird during the morning of Oct 30 both English and the other language services for Africa could be heard on the two audio channels still carrying DW program audio.

In the meantime we've put some stuff online. First 6075, Oct 29 at 2157-2159, the two last minutes of DW on 6075 as well as the two last minutes presumably ever transmit from Rampisham, so the end of a radio station plus the end of a transmitter site for the price of one: http://www.wwwagner.tv/audio/DW_Rampisham_6075.mp3

Also Oct 29, one of the last transmissions from Sines, 21840 and how it cut off at 1300 sharp, thus not mutilating the end of the farewell show as it happened later on 6075:

http://www.wwwagner.tv/audio/DW_Sines_21840.mp3

This farewell show ended with a selection of goofs, if this is not obvious.

And this is what goes out on the former satellite channel of DW German since Oct 30, 0000, and also went out on its former webstream until they killed it (or perhaps it's even still running, just no longer linked on the website):

http://www.wwwagner.tv/audio/ DW%20Schleife%20Einstellung%20deutscher%20Dienst%2020111030.mp3

Of course a switching error could in any moment put this on shortwave. Note also how hummy the IS is, how old may the recording be they are still using? I suspect it was already this one 35 years ago, which is about as far as my earliest memory of DW dates back. And the first item on the 6075 recording gives a pretty good impression of how it sounded back then in the seventies.

In a context:

http://www.wwwagner.tv/?p=10591

There also pictures from the former DW studio building in Cologne, taken in July 2003 when most if not all foreign language services had already moved to Bonn and only the German program still broadcast from there, from a small studio actually meant for small foreign language broadcasts, still with the original, not stereo-capable control room equipment as it was there at the inauguration in 1980, just with the Dalet computers additionally plugged into the analogue console. The tape recorders had indeed still been used, in particular to record everything with them in parallel, just in case the Dalet breaks down.

It goes without saying that during this trip nobody would have expected that all this would eight years later be completely history. (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 31, dxldyg via DXLD)

B11 schedules for Radio Deutsche Welle in the (very few) remaining languages --- The B 11 MW and SW schedules of the DW language services which remain on the analogue waves (i. e. Amharic, Chinese, Dari, English, French, Hausa, Indonesian, Pashto, Portuguese, Swahili and Urdu) can be found using the following link: http://www.dw-world.de/popups/popup_pdf/0,,9496577,00.pdf

The transmitting stations which are in use for B11 are the following ones: Ascension, Dhabayya, Jakarta (MW), Kigali, Kranji, Krasnodar, Madagascar and Woofferton (Harry Niebuhr, 10-30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Yesterday (2011-10-29) at 2158:59 UT (at least 6075 kHz has gone off the air one minute earlier than scheduled), Radio "Deutsche Welle" closed down the German service on SW. Those who did not manage to listen to the "good-bye transmission", a special edition of "Das Magazin", can hear this - in a way "historic" - broadcast via http://mediacenter.dw-world.de/german/audio/#!/304345/Das_Magazin/Program=14211

(Harry Niebuhr, 2011-10-30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

9655 // 11865, Oct 30 at 2149, DW VG in English via RWANDA now here for B-11, report from Italy. Both those are 295 degrees, also favoring NAm unintentionally but unavoidably. Did not notice the other frequency scheduled, 12070. The previous hour in English at 20-21 is on 9655, 9735, 12070 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DW reception via Kigali 0400 on 7350 and 0500 on 9810, both at pretty good levels here in Texas. Hopefully those transequatorial paths hold up throughout northern winter (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, Nov 1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. Re 11-43: [INTRUDER ALERT] Deutsche Welle change 7150 to 7245 kHz - tnx DL4KE! --- Hi All, good news from Juergen Wagner DL4KE. Juergen works for Deutsche Welle "The Voice of Germany" and is a long time member of DARC-MS Intruder Watch:

"I have just got the good news from Deutsche Welle that the 7150 kHz QRG is changed to "7245 kHz". Also the sked on the homepage of Deutsche Welle will be changed quickly". [via RWANDA]

Thank you, dear Juergen, for your good work! Fraternally yours in Intruder Watching, Uli Bihlmayer DJ9KR, DARC-MS Coordinator and Vice Coordinator of IARU-MS Region 1 (via Wolfgang B_sschel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GREECE [and non]. 9420, I was listening to VOG music Oct 29 when at 2125 some CCI started; is that when Iran came on the air? Anyhow, now in B-11 Iran is gone from 9420 per HFCC, and the only QRM to Greece should be CRI English via EAST TURKISTAN at 01-02 and CNR from LIN site at 1100-1805; Greece still registered 24 hours on 9420, but really curtailed to v16-04 only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 28.10.2011 18:10, John Babbis kirjoitti: > Good morning all: I E-Mailed Apodimos at The Voice of Greece yesterday and they sent me an .xls document in their reply which I was finally able to open. In case you might have trouble opening that message, I copied it for you in this E-Mail. I will redo this for you into my version later. ERT3 seems to be missing from this schedule, but we do have the foreign language transmissions from Radio Filia. Best regards, John Babbis

Thank you, John. I read your message at 1535 and all 15630, 9420 and 9935 kHz were on already at that time. 15630 and 9420 IDed as "Net FM" and 9935 kHz as "Ekaton dio FM" and "ERA tria", referring to RSM fq.

Parallel 1044 kHz was off again. 9935 kHz went off at 1650 and 7450 kHz started at 1700. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. THE VOICE OF GREECE (ERA-5) and ERT-3
B-11 Short-wave Transmission Schedule
(Effective October 30, 2011 to March 25, 2012)

[Good afternoon; This is what I have put together from VOG`s B-11 Schedule. Their Africa 2000-0200 item seems to be in error; should be 2300-0200. Regards, John Babbis]

UT	Avlis 1 (100 kw)	Avlis 2 (100 kw)	Avlis 3 (170 kw)
0000-0100	7475/285∫/eu/am/sa	15630/226ʃ/eu/am/sa	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
0100-0200	7475/285∫/eu/am/sa	*15630/226∫/eu/am/sa	9420/323∫/eu/am
0200-0300	7475/285∫/eu/am/sa	7450/260∫/sa	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
0300-0400	7475/285∫/eu/am/sa	7450/260∫/sa	9420/323∫/eu/am
0400-1600	SILENT	SILENT	SILENT
1600-1700	*#9935/285∫/eu	15630/285∫/eu/am	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
1700-1800	#7450/323∫/eu	*15630/285ʃ/eu/am	9420/323∫/eu/am
1800-1900	#7450/323∫/eu	15650/105∫/au	9420/323∫/eu/am
1900-2000	#7450/323∫/eu	15650/105∫/au	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
2000-2100	#7450/323∫/eu	15650/105∫/au	9420/323∫/eu/am
2100-2200	#7450/323∫/eu	15650/105∫/au	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
2200-2300	<i>*#</i> 7450/323∫/eu	*15650/105∫/au	9420/323∫/eu/am
2300-2400	7475/285∫/eu/am/sa	15630/226∫/eu/am/sa	9420/323ʃ/eu/am
	*Transmission ends 10	minutes earlier	
	#ERT-3 Radiophonikos	Stathmos Makedonias (1	Γhessaloniki)

#ERT-3 Radiophonikos Stathmos Makedonias (Thessaloniki)
am=America/Atlantic Ocean; au=Australia/Middle East/Indian Ocean;
eu=Europe; sa=South America/Panama Zone/Southwest Africa
(Compiled by John Babbis, Silver Spring, MD, Oct 28, DXLD)

** GREECE. PRESUMED B-11 RADIO FILIA PROGRAM SCHEDULE. Good morning: I made up this B-11 Program Schedule for Radio Filia (Athens 3) from the schedule that The Voice of Greece sent me yesterday. The sequence of languages are in the correct order, but the stop and start times could vary. May differ on Saturday and Sunday. Regards, John Babbis

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RADIO FILIA (FRIENDSHIP STATION-ATHENS 3)

AM 665 kHz. 106.7 FM

B-11 Foreign Language Program Schedule
(Effective October 30, 2011 to March 25, 2012
UT Language
0000-0600 Greek
0600-0700 Bulgarian
0700-0800 Albanian
0800-0900 Spanish
0900-1000 German
1000-1030 English
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1030-1100 Russian 1100-1130 French 1130-1145 Turkish 1145-1200 Polish 1200-1300 English 1300-1330 Serbo-Croatian 1330-1400 Arabic 1400-1500 Romanian 1500-2400 Greek (John Babbis, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Subject: ERA-5 and ERA-3

ERA-5 Voice of Greece in Greek:

1600-1750 on 15630 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to WeEU

1600-2300 on 9420 AVL 170 kW 323 deg to WeEU

1800-2250 on 15650 AVL 100 kW 105 deg to AUS/NZL

2300-0150 on 15630 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to NoAM

2300-0400 on 7475 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to NoAM

2300-0400 on 9420 AVL 170 kW 323 deg to NoAM

0200-0400 on 7450 AVL 100 kW 260 deg to SoAM

ERT-3 Radiophonikos Stathmos Makedonias in Greek: 1600-1750 on 9935 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to WeEU 1800-2250 on 7450 AVL 100 kW 323 deg to WeEU

BUT REALLY NO SIGNAL ON ALL FREQUENCIES FROM OCT. 30!!!!
73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Oct 31 via Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Just another silent Sunday as John Babbis has reported (gh)

ERT-3 heard last - Makedonia regional on 7450 Saturday Oct 29 around 1755 UT, full 100 kW of power! And also Greek football coverage in late afternoon Oct 29 on 9420 kHz. See comments from Bulgaria below, Avlis was silent. Now on Oct 31 at 0140 UT, 7450 and 7475 totally free channel, not occupied, no signal from Avlis at all, on 9420 CRI English service heard here in Western Europe. vy73 wb

Thanks Wolfy: Perhaps Greece, on short-wave, has gone on a 6-day week to save power on Sunday; this is the fourth time this has happened. That B-11 Schedule was the first that I have heard from them in many months. Regards, John Babbis

Today heard only a conjoint program of American Jazz and like symphonic music on ALL THREE channels, also on ERT-3 channel!

This schedule is correct: change is at 1750 UT and now from 1800-2250? UT on 15650 (instead of 15630) vy73 de Wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Right now (1630 Oct 31) 9420, 9935 and 15630 are all on as scheduled, but with the same programming also on 9935. So no shut-down of the shortwave operations, at least for now, but it still remains to be seen if perhaps ERT-3 Thessaloniki programming has indeed been taken off shortwave (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

Yes, - but with common program, and a lot of classic JAZZ and 'elegiac' classic music played and heard, - no Greece folk music anymore. Like national mourning. Is there an Orthodox Holiday tomorrow? (Wolfgang B.schel, 2004 UT Oct 31, ibid.)

John Babbis got a wikilist of Greek National Holidays: One on Oct 28 but none on Oct 31-Nov 1-Nov 2, only for the unOrthodox (gh, DXLD)

Glenn: Voice of Greece is totally dead on all 3 stations at frequencies of 7450, 15650, 7475, 15630, and 9420 when I monitored them Sun Oct 30-Mon Oct 31 at 2000-0100 UT. Regards, (John Babbis, MD, bclnews.it via DXLD)

John, another horrible day on Greek radio. 9935 kHz Avlis TX carrier on air at 1535 UT Nov 1st, empty carrier. S=9+20dBm strong on air.

9420 kHz Greek program on air when first checked at 1536 UT.S=9+20dB, female announcer, light music program in progress.

At 1548 UT Nov 1st, 15630 kHz TX switched ON and OFF many times til 1600 UT.

Only 9420 kHz channel on air in 1545-1600 UT range, when checked here at my post. Carrying a Greek program in 15-16 UT range.

9935 kHz channel TX is OFF til 1600 UT.

9420 kHz frequency announcement in Greek, interval signal, NEWS read by female voice from 1600 UT.

15630/15650 n o t on air, latter also off still at 1615 UT.

9935 kHz 1600:51 UT TX switched ON late. R Makedonia regional program from ERT-3 Thessaloniki, news in Greek read by MALE announcer (Wolfgang B_schel, Nov 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Wolfy: Sounds like modern Greek and American music at 0056 UT on 7475 and 9420. It might be that the engineers at the transmitters may be playing from their own albums and not getting the feed from the studios because nobody showed up. I asked Demetri Vafeas when he visited me in Silver Spring some years ago, what his work hours were

and he said 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Evidently the night shift. which puts on the taped shows we hear after those hours, have not showed up or else they are on reduced hours, who knows? Or, they may have extended the OHI Day to cover a 4-day week-end. Right now it sounds like an English recording. Right now we have a lady announcing in Greek, so it might be the "Greek in Style" show. Regards, (John Babbis, bclnews.it via DXLD)

At 2315 UT all three on air, same VOG program 7475, 9420 and 15630. 73 wb (B_sschel, ibid.)

Delete 2000-2250 UT entry of printed VoGR file: 2000-2250 15630 AVL 100 kW 182/208/226deg to AF

GREECE ERA-5 Voice of Greece in Greek in B-11:
1600-2400 9420 AVL 170 kW 323 deg to WeEUR
1600-1750 15630 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to WeEUR/Atlantic Ocean
1800-2250 15650 AVL 100 kW 105 deg to ME
2300-0150 15630 AVL 100 kW 105 deg to AUS/NZL
2300-0400 7475 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to NoAM
0000-0400 9420 AVL 170 kW 323 deg to NoAM
0200-0400 7450 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to NoAM
All other transmissions short waves were stopped.

ERT-3 Radiophonikos Stathmos Makedonias in Greek: 1600-1759 9935 AVL 100 kW 285 deg to WeEUR 1800-2250 7450 AVL 100 kW 323 deg to WeEUR

(adapted by wb, acc A-11 file of Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 24/Nov 1 via DXLD)

John, another log of Nov 1st. 9935, ERT-3 Thessaloniki program with Greek song at 1617 UT, at 1641 UT talk by female announcer.

Same service also at 1756 UT on two channels 9420 / 15630 kHz. At 1756 UT noted still separate Thessaloniki program on 9935 kHz.

Avlis switch for ERT-3 Makedonia, 9935 tx OFF at 1759:43 UT, off midst on Greek singer performance. Came on air again on 7450 kHz at 1802:25 UT with open carrier only, later at 1803:18 UT audio feed joined the broadcast, male news reader in progress.

15630 kHz ERA-5 moved to 15650 kHz at 18 UT. S=9+10dB signal strength, like on 15630 kHz before, no significant power level change.

At 2015 UT: still ERA-5 on both 9420 and 15650 kHz.

7450 separate ERT-3 Makedonia ID Thessaloniki program at 2015 UT, but taken over from 102 FM Thessaloniki,

On shortwave 7450 was 28 ! seconds ahead of livestream here on PC in Germany at URL

http://www.streamingthe.net/de/ERT3-102FM---Thessaloniki/p/12729&player=1

music for day-dream. vy73 wolfgang (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Nov 1 via DXLD)

- ** GUAM. 5765-USB, AFN, Nov 1 at 1308 discussing Denver snowstorm, on NBC Today Show? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** GUATEMALA. 4055, Nov 2 at 0611, R. Verdad carrier is still on, but I missed the majestic NA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** INDIA. 4800, AIR, Hyderabad. 0012 October 28, 2011. Carrier already up at 0012 check, into AIR interval signal a few seconds after 0016. Extremely weak, no real copy after the interval signal ended at 0020 except for a trace of Hindi vocal than began at 0023.
- 5010, AIR, Trivandrum. 0049 October 26, 2011. Female Hindi vocals, poor. Carrier on 4880 at the same time, just maybe Lucknow. On October 28: carrier already up at 0012 check, and that beautiful AIR interval signal at 0018 recheck, albeit very, very weak (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** INDIA [and non]. 4820.77, AIR Kolkata. Oct 26 another day off frequency during checks from 1330 to 1430. Oct 27 back on 4820.0.
- 4835, AIR Gangtok seemed off the air Oct 26 during several checks from 1327 to 1427.
- 4970, AIR Shillong, 1437, Oct 26. In English with sports news followed by news headlines; 1441 Hindi and must have been the start of a music request program as they gave phone numbers to call and started playing subcontinent music; fair with their normal hum.
- 9425, AIR Bengaluru National Channel, 1435-1512, Oct 26 (Wed.). ID and frequencies for National Channel; start of the iVividhaî program in English; interesting interview with Manoj Das, an Indian bilingual writer and author of iCyclonesî; had periodic problems with audio; 1512 switched over to the audio feed from New Delhi in Hindi (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4970, AIR Shillong, 1359-1459, Oct 28. One of their better receptions; song by The Doors; end of program iMusic of Yesteryearsî 1400 iThe time by our studio clock is 7:30 PMî; 1441 program of western music called iEspecially For Youî; Black Eyed Peas, etc.; local news headlines; iLajong football club Shillong today defeated Hindustan Aeronautics Limited by a solitary goal in the ongoing I League football matchî, etc.; many local IDs (SW and FM); edited MP3 audio at

http://www.box.net/shared/yovkzc9spyn7t7hff8ti My local sunrise at1428 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. 4820.76, AIR Kolkata. Oct 29 another day off frequency during a check at 1324. Severe het from Tibet on 4820.0.

4835, AIR Gangtok, 1507, Oct 28. Subcontinent music; at 1512 switched over to the New Delhi relay which became // with 4760 AIR-Port Blair, 4775 AIR-Imphal , 4970 AIR-Shillong, 5010 AIR-Thiruvananth. and 5040 AIR-Jeypore; series of ads till 1515 news in Hindi; one of the better days for reception from Sikkim.

5050, AIR Aizawl, 1223-1310, Oct 29. My first reception of them since last heard on Oct 24; heard during the same time period with identical format today, but somewhat weaker; sounded like news in English; mostly slow tempo songs that seemed to be religious; 1300 clear iAll India Radioî ID and 10 minutes of news (not sure of language); as usual mixing with a much stronger Beibu Bay Radio (BBR); still no hint of the return of Ozy Radio (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AIR New Delhi noted today 31 Oct 11 from tune in around 0040 UT on 4866 instead of 4860. Not a B-11 change! Their sked on 4860 of 50 kW is 0025-0440, 1220-1930 Urdu, 73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India, dx_india yg via DXLD)

4866.000, unID subcontinent music singer, yes 1 kHz exact apart! And adjacent channel hit by ute WIPER sound of CODAR transmission on 4845 to 4876 kHz wide range. The transmitter site operator switched the tx on and off, many times at 0050 to 0100 UT slot. I guess AIR V of Kashmir broadcast from Delhi Khampur site on test broadcast; according to Aoki list service starts at 0230 UT.

But heard female Indian subcontinent singer again at 0102 UT underneath. Is there a cat and mouse play with opposite Pakistani security service transmission on very same channel?

Similar tone fights noted around 4950 kHz channel at 0118 UT Oct 31. Powerful AIR Kashmir Srinagar noted here, at 0119 UT when penetrating AIR pause signal melody started, but occurred also two test tones on 1045 Hertz pitch, centered on 4948.961 and 4950.006 kHz frequencies. In peaks S=9+20dBmB signal level (Wolfgang Bschel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Is there a powerful tx with S=9+20dBm signal in peaks from the opposite Pakistan area against Kashmiri transmission? And Good Night. vy73 wolfgang df5sx (B_schel, ibid.)

** INDIA. AIR Ranchi no more SW

Partha Sarathi Goswami via Facebook IDXCI Group:
Just talked to a person in the office of Additional Director General
(E)(East Zone) (in Kolkata) All India Radio, and found the fact that
AIR Ranchi will not return to SW any more, it was closed for more than
2 years and no listener complained about it, hence they stopped it.
And it will not return on SW. The number was +91-33-22438547. So
always send your mails to stations you listen otherwise you may not
know your one letter can be a drop to build an ocean.

AIR Kohima and Itanagar fall under AIR GUWAHATI, someone can try to talk with them if possible; I discussed in Bengali - as it was comfortable for both of us.

The person also confirmed that 594 kHz Mogra (near Kolkata) HPT 1000 kW MW will return by February 2012 as up-gradation is going on now...
-- Thanks & Regards,

(Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, Dist. Darjeeling, West Bengal, INDIA, Skype: dxinginfo, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK? 4960/5985. WRTH 2011 already had Ranchi irregular/off air (gh, DXLD)

** INDIA. 15770, S Asian language, with big hum, cut off abruptly at 1251:12* before I lined up my eye to parallax the frequency for sure on the FRG-7, but since nothing is scheduled on 15765 or 15775, it looks very much like this, as in Aoki, running late: 15770 ALL INDIA RADIO 1215-1245 1234567 Telugu 250 132 Aligarh After 1245 the language may have been other than Telugu, altho I don't find another one scheduled to start at 1245 on any other AIR frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 9425, Oct 30 at 1416 open carrier with flutter, surely AIR National Channel via Bengaluru as always, but where's the modulation? HFCC B-11 as of Oct 28 still lacks ANY registrations from India! Alokesh Gupta says AIR waits until the last minute to enter them. Consult Aoki A-11 final(?) edition dated Oct 29 at 0200 which is still

useful in such cases: http://www1.m2.mediacat.ne.jp/binews/bia11.txt

9425, Oct 30 at 2151, S Asian vocal music, fair with flutter, as AIR National Channel, Bengaluru, has now managed to modulate instead of dead air earlier at 1416.

7550, poor Oct 30 at 2155, muffled M&W in English, with flutter on AM, presumably AIR GOS, as previously used. New AIR schedules are slow to emerge. But HFCC B-11, lacking any AIR registrations, shows instead a 9-kHz bandwidth DRM at 18-22 from something `new` via Armenia, 100 kW, 305 degrees to W Europe.

15050, Oct 31 at 1303, mostly noise on this frequency where the AIR Sinhala service is supposed to be. Is it jamming? Is it totally out-of-whack transmitter? Or is it trying DRM to drive away what listeners it might otherwise have? Still the same at 1357 but weaker.

15050, Nov 1 at 1338, nothing but noise, sounds like low-rate DRM, instead of AM in AIR Sinhala service 13-15. In A-11 this was the Delhi-Khampur site, which is DRM-capable, presumably still same in B-11.

15050, Nov 2 at 1341, AIR Sinhala service, which is mostly music, again audible on AM, after a few days of nothing but noise, DRM? Was not on, or not propagating at first check 1300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DRM by AIR --- The following new DRM transmissions were observed on AIR frequencies instead of AM mode transmissions yesterday and today. (Tests?)

- 1. 31 Oct 11 15050 1300-1500 Sinhala
- 2. 1 Nov 11 15185 0315 Hindi

73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India, Oct 31, dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

Not sure, may be testing. Test txn's in DRM mode expected during ABU General Assembly being held at Delhi 2-8 Nov. A new 100 kW MW txer at Nangli is suppose to be tested in DRM mode today or tomorrow. Regards (Alokesh Gupta, ibid.)

Just got confirmation from AIR Khampur, they are now on extended DRM schedule wef 30th Oct 2011. Thanks Jose for the tip! Regards (Alokesh Gupta, ibid.)

AIR Nepali 0130 to 0200, 11715 heard in DRM mode today. 73 (Jose

Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Nov 2, dx_india y g via DXLD)

0130-0230 UT, went off at 0200 for a minute, came back again till 0230 sign off (Alokesh Gupta, ibid.)

This is NOT the way to do it, suddenly changing AM to DRM at same time and frequency. Pity the poor would-be listeners. Test DRM on some other frequency, preferably out-of-band (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. AIR B-11 changes --- Dear friends, Here are the monitored changes observed till 1235 UT today 30 Oct 2011 of All IndiaRadio External Services B-11 period

UTC	Language		New khz(old khz)		Tx Site		
Target Area							
1000-1100	English	13710 (ex	13695)	Bengaluru	Australia/NZ		
1000-1100	English	15235 (ex	15410)	Bengaluru	NE Asia		
1115-1200	Thai	15235 (ex	15410)	Panaji	NE Asia		
1115-1215	Tamil	13710 (ex	13695)	Bengaluru	SE Asia		
1115-1215	Tamil	17810		Panaji	SE Asia		
1215-1214	Telugu	13710 (ex	13695)	Bengaluru	SE Asia		
1115-1215	Telugu	17810		Panaji	SE Asia		
[sic you must mean Telugu at 1215-, until 1245 as previously or							
now really an hour??]							

The good news from AIR Panaji is that from today both their 250 SW tx are back on air (one was off air for very long time now). So the following schedules suspended in earlier seasons are restored:

1115-1215 Tamil & 1115-1215 Telugu [sic] to SE Asia on 17810 which was already monitored today. 1615-1730 Persian & 1730-1830 Malayalam to Middle Easton 7250. More info soon (after monitoring!) 73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio. Hyderabad 500082, India Oct 30, dxindia yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AIR latest SW schedules

The monitored schedule of AIR External Service of B-11 is available in the following links:

Including one I have been hearing:
7550 500 Bengaluru 1745-1945 English, 1945-2045 Hindi, 2045-2230
English (UK & W. Europe) (gh, DXLD)

** INDIA. OFFICIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE PRASAR BHARATI (BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF INDIA) AMENDMENT BILL, 2010

The Union Cabinet today approved the proposal of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting for pursuing the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill, 2010 pending in Rajya Sabha in Parliament for its enactment and also to move the official amendments in the Rajya Sabha. Cabinet also approved the action taken on the recommendations made in the Eighteenth Report on iPrasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill, 2010î of the Standing Committee on Information Technology.

The Cabinet further approved the amendment to section 11(2) of the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill, 2010 pending in the Rajya Sabha by the addition of the words iand until their retirementî at the end of the section. This will make the status of the employees recruited between 23.11.1997 and 05.10.2007, i.e., they are on deemed deputation to Prasar Bharati till their retirement absolutely clear and unambiguous.

The Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill 2010 has been introduced in the Rajya Sabha in August, 2010. The Bill is for making amendments to the existing section 11 of the Prasar Bharati Act, 1990, regarding iTransfer of service of existing employees to the Corporationî, which deals with the transfer of services of employees to Prasar Bharati upon its creation as a Corporation in the year 1997. **** AD/RK/SM (Release ID :76927) (Press Information Bureau, Govt. of India via Alokesh Gupta, Nov 1, dxindia yg via DXLD)

** INDIA [non]. TWR tests on 9765 --- Hello Friends, Yesterday 27 Oct 2011 a test broadcast of Trans World Radio was monitored by me on 9795 [sic] at 1300 to 1330 UT. Requests for reports were given in Hindi giving cell phone numbers and offering prizes to the first listeners who call in / send SMS. Reception was fair to good at my location in Hyderabad, India.

I sent an SMS and immediately got a reply. Later I called them and a lady in Delhi informed me that the tests were for their Santali and other broadcasts (to East India?). When I asked about the transmitter location she told it was from Russia but not sure of the exact location. She also informed me that another test is scheduled today 28 Oct 2010 also at 1300 to 1330 on 9765 kHz. -- Thanking you, Yours

sincerely, Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, http://www.niar.org earlier Oct 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The test transmission by Trans World Radio today 28 Oct 2011 at 1300 to 1330 UT is on *9795* (Jacob, 0658 UT Oct 28, ibid.)

[Later:] The TWR tests scheduled on 9795 from 1300 to 1330 UT today started late, i.e. around 1320. When it was not heard at 1300, I contacted TWR and they informed that they were trying to sort out the problem. Info from TWR is that these tests were on 3 days, viz. 26, 27 & 28 Oct 11 from Tashkent [UZBEKISTAN]. It will be in regular use from this Sunday for B 11 schedule -- Thanking you, (Yours sincerely, Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, ibid.) But not in this version:

** INDIA [non]. TWR INDIA B11

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SAM - Samara RUS 53N20 050E10

Submit reports at : http://www.twr.in/technical_info.htm OR info at twr dot in --- (via Alokesh Gupta, VU3BSE, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 810, RRI Merauke, 1100, local news theme, then stories read by a M. Very good on peaks in null of cochannel 2BA Bega. 21 Oct.

855, RRI Medan, 1059, fanfare, RRI news, site presumed. Very tough copy in null of 3CR and 4QO. 26 Oct.

891 RRI Ternate (site presumed), 1047, nice Indo vocals, briefly on top (in partial null of ABC Adelaide and 4TAB Townsville). 24 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables,

Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4789.97, RRI Fak Fak, 1120, press conference by man, fielding questions, occasional "breathy" voice-over from a woman, MANY mentions of "Papua." Then next day on Al Jazeera -- story about government and police officials arresting several Papua rebels, after their self-proclaimed independence from Indonesia. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4789.97, RRI Fak Fak. Indonesian programing 25/10, good level 0930 then into Air Supply song which went into a programme with English / Indonesian about Air Supply so much so I listen till 1030 when the programing changed. ID at 0950 as "Radio Republik Indonesia, studio ... Fak Fak" then the time given. Very unusual programing. The hum off the transmitter has now ceased so someone has fixed it! (John Wright, Peakhurst NSW (Icom R75 EWE antennae 350 degrees, and a dipole 330 and 150 degrees lobes cut for 25m), Nov Australian DX News via DXLD)

4789.96, RRI Fak Fak, 1203, Oct 27. In Bahasa Indonesia; in progress with the news relay from Jakarta; 1219 & 1225 seemed to be promo for an Islamic program; 1229 news headlines followed by their usual song at the end of the Jakarta news; all of this was // 4749.96 RRI Makassar (not sure why Atsunori was not hearing Makassar today, but I did during a few checks during the news) and 9680 RRI Jakarta (CNR1 jamming of Taiwan). Noted off the air at this time was RRI Palangkaraya on 3325, but they were heard by 1325. Last check of Fak Fak was 1402 and Atsunori indicated 1405*, so I should have continued listening for a bit more; decent signal strength but poor reception due to the usual heavy CODAR ORM.

4789.97, RRI Fak Fak. Oct 28 off the air at 1200 check and 4749.96 RRI Makassar was also not heard today (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- ** INDONESIA. Voice of Indonesia heard with very strong signals in Israel, October 15 at 1300-1400 on 9525; however the transmitter was off more than it was on. This could become a charming station (David Crystal, Nov World DX Club Contact via DXLD)
- O, it's already charming, self-proclaiming `Sound of Dignity`. if only it were on the air. We've always wondered what the azimuth really be for that broadcast, weaker lately in NAm than it once was (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

9525-, Oct 27 at 1307, VOI still AWOL when English used to be houred. The adjacent RRI transmitter on 9680 is still funxional but always with QRM from China/Taiwan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Still absent as of Nov 3

** INDONESIA. FW: [RADIO LISTENERS CLUB] RRI World Service - Voice of Indonesia, telah...

----Original message-----

From: Kabul Budiono

Sent: 27/10/2011, 08:24 To: RADIO LISTENERS CLUB

Kabul Budiono posted in RADIO LISTENERS CLUB

RRI World Service - Voice of Indonesia, telah memiliki situs baru dengan layanan yang " audio based service". Anda dapat mendapatkan layanan live audiovideo streaming, audio on demand dan podcasting untuk program bahasa asing. Silahkan klik

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untuk program bahasa Inggris [ENGLISH],

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untuk bahasa Indonesia. Untuk 6 bahasa lainnya klik language services dan pilih bahasa yang anda suka. Selamat menikmati.

Voice Of Indonesia

http://www.facebook.com/l/vAQGjReBgAQFZt0XIKhTDMUCkbbMNlR34Fq7jfxwptA8l0Q/ www.voi.co.id/

VOI - Voice of Indonesia (via Tony Ashar, Indonesia, dxldyg via DXLD)

Some of the above led to the real VOI website:

http://en.voi.co.id/

where there are live streaming linx and audio on demand; also to program schedule grid, in local time! Subtract 7 for UT

The bottom segment labeled 20.00 is the content of the 1300-1400 English broadcast, currently missing from 9525-: http://en.voi.co.id/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=129&Itemid=195

Another grid below that shows how they integrate web and SW broadcasts

in various languages (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Join the Quiz, Win and Visit Indonesia... Ouiz "Wonderful Indonesia".

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You may be the lucky one to get the grand prize and visit to Indonesian places of interest!

We are looking forward to your answers along with a copy of your valid i.d. card. Quiz Wonderful Indonesia is organized by RRI World Service, Voice of Indonesia in collaboration with the Indonesian Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy.

SOURCE: SHORTWAVE AMERICA: Voice Of Indonesia Press Release http://bit.ly/tFLlI7 Wonderful Indonesia http://bit.ly/w3MLcB (Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, http://yimber.blogspot.com Oct 30, DXLD)

** IRAN. 15735, Oct 31 at 1408, muffled Arabic, YL narration with music background, gone at 1432. HFCC shows this is the multi-hour Arabic service of IRIB, 0530-1430, 500 kW, 289 degrees from Zahedan

17720, Nov 2 at 1320, good signal with flutter in IndoMalay, talking about Islam and Iran. Yes, the so-called ``Melau`` language service from VIRI is now here at 1230-1330, 500 kW, 109 degrees from Kamalabad, and the // as yet unheard is now 21630, 500 kW, 115 degrees from Sirjan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. 15535, Oct 31 at 0527, just as I tune in, music cuts

from strong to weak signal, antenna or site switch time? R. Farda is B-11 scheduled straight thru 0430-0700, 250 kW, 105 degrees from Wertachtal, GERMANY, plus 0700-0930, 250 kW, 315 degrees from Iranawila, Sri Lanka (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. 9235, Oct 30 at 0032, poor signal in rock music, no doubt Galei Zahal.

15850, Oct 31 at 0532, Hebrew with stingers every few sex, presumably news headlines, from Galei Zahal; peaking S9+10 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. VIDEO TORRE PELLI MILANO *** SPIRE ANTENNA INSTALLATION ***

See please a you tube Video concerning the installation atop the Torre Pelli Milano most high skyscraper of Italy of the Antenna Spire installation.....

http://youtu.be/Xm87kbLRnW4

Future plan to put FM & TV atop the tower. Thanks for the information to Max Marazzi & Giampiero Bernardini. Play-dx team coordinated by Dario Monferini, Oct 29, http://www.playdx.com
http://www.playdx.com/logs/magra09-11.htm
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY [non]. 15190, Radio Africa, 1417-1457*, 11-01, male, English, religious comments, "The Overcomer Ministry, South Carolina". Close at 1457 Good signal. 44434 (Manuel Mèndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500 and Sony ICF SW 7600 G, Cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190 is IRRS rather than Radio Africa, as reported recently here on DXLD (Harold Sellers, ibid.)

Manuel, It's NOT Radio Africa, but IRRS now via Romania with Overcomer on 15190 ex-15610, but the time is 13-14 UT, so I also suspect your clock is one hour off --- or theirs is, or extended an hour? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

The religious station I listen on 15190, seems to be IRSS instead of Radio Africa. Thanks to Glenn Hauser and Harold Sellers. The time I listen it is 1400-1457* UT. Sorry by my mistake. 73,s (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, ibid.)

This still doesn't explain it being one hour later than scheduled (or in addition to 13-14). There should be IRRS ID, AÔda theme just before and after Brother Scare. IRRS' own program schedule not updated, still showing A-season frequency 15610.

http://www.nexus.org/NEXUS-IBA/Schedules/tue.htm

Aha, HFCC shows 13-15 for IRRS ``MILano`` on 15190, but Sundays only; hardly!

15190 1300 1500 28-35,39-45,49-51,54-60 MIL 300 270 0 288 1 301011 250312 D 9515 Eng I ANT ANT 11023

Must check again tomorrow (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** ITALY [non]. /ROMANIA, Winter B-11 of NEXUS-IBA IRRS Shortwave: Arab Woman Today:

0800-0815 on 11910 TIG 300 kW / 140 deg to N&ME/WeAS in Arabic Wed 1400-1415 on 11910 TIG 300 kW / 140 deg to N/ME/WeAS in Arabic Fri

R. Joystick 1st Sat; R. City 3rd Sat; other International Public Access Radio

0900-1000 on 9510 TIG 150 kW / 290 deg to WeEU/NoEU in English Sat

European Gospel Radio (EGR)

1030-1300 on $\,$ 9510 TIG 150 kW / 290 deg to WeEU/NoEU in English Sun 1830-1900 on $\,$ 7290 TIG 150 kW / 290 deg to WeEU/NoEU in English Sun

Brother Stair - The Overcomer Ministry (TOM) 1300-1400 on 15190 TIG 300 kW / 100 deg to AS/AUS/NZ in English Daily [expanded to 1300-1500; is it still on 7290 too? See PRIDNESTROVYE gh] 1900-2000 on 7290 TIG 150 kW / 290 deg to WeEU/NoEU in English Daily (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)

15190, Sunday Oct 30, not Equatorial Guinea! But IRRS on new frequency 13-14, ex-15610 (which is now occupied by WEWN on two hours earlier than in A-11). But it's not Brother Scare --- instead Dan Roberts' so-called 'Shortwave Report', at 1336 giving times to listen in PDT, introducing clip of R. Japan. Still going at 1349 with clip of Ed Newman on RHC, 'Editorial Desk', stale item about Libya while Sirte was still in play; 1351 sounds like long/short path echo on 15190. 1353 Dan starts to outro RHC but modulation cut off, and stays open carrier until 1357:55 two brief tones, more OC, 1358 to RRI IS, 1400 opening RRI Chinese, somewhat distorted and cut off the air at 1400:17*. That's supposed to be on 11825 and 9660, oops!

Well, that resolves any remaining doubt that IRRS is using transmitter in Romania. It seems they have an extra, normally as standby? WRTH 2011 says 3 x 300 kW at Tiganeshti, 2 x 300 at Galbeni, but RRI's own broadcasts are never scheduled on more than 4 frequencies at once. And then there is the 100 kW at Saftica, never on RRI's own schedules any more, and nowhere in HFCC B-11. Maybe that's the one IRRS is using at a discount, as its signals never measure up to RRI's own strength.

As for the `Shortwave Report` being heard on SW itself, I assume that is another foulup between IRRS and Romania, intended to continue with

Brother Scare. The clips on that show are so clear and steady that we don't believe they are really recorded off SW instead of webcasts, and thus the very name of the program is a sham. His intro does now say 'as heard on shortwave and the internet in northern California'. To be sure, need to listen to the show on web itself, and note absence of selective fading distortion, or any QRM on any of the clips as I skipped thru the 10/28 mp3 file. That's fine for broadcast quality, but it's *not* shortwave! He has also been stuck in a rut of using the same four or five stations every week for years. And may we safely assume this Dan Roberts is not the same one busted in San Francisco by FCC this month for `operating` Pirate Cat Radio, on FM?

Meanwhile, I was also monitoring RRI itself; see ROMANIA

15190, Oct 31 at 1302, Brother Scare is in progress (or rather, regress), as IRRS via ROMANIA has wasted no time in getting him going today rather than defaulting to Shortwave Report as yesterday.

15190, Nov 2 at 1257, IRRS via ROMANIA is already on with rock music prÈlude; 1258:25 AÔda theme, 1300 quick `This is IRRS Shortwave in Milano signing on`, and after a few sex brings up Brother Scare who is reveling in the four SW frequencies he is on at this hour, 15190, 9980, 9385 and 9460 --- except he`s not, as WWCR does not open 9980 until an hour later. Nor is 9460 scheduled until 14-15 via Wertachtal! BS can`t even get his own frequencies right, yet he is the Last Days Prophet Of God?? He spends at least as much time gloating over his alleged coverage as he does axually preaching.

Someone already jumped to the wrong conclusion that 15190 is R. Africa, Equatorial Guinea, despite our attempts to head that off. Besides having been silent for some six months (despite occasional other wrong assumptions), R. Africa never took live satellite feeds from BS or anyhuxter.

IRRS B-11 schedule showed BS on 15190 only at 13-14, but in HFCC registered an additional hour as 13-15, and it was reported yesterday in the second hour, so I listen again at 1357: yes, BS keeps on going past 1400, no ID, but there is a transmission break at 1400:13*-*1400:45 approximately. Sounded the same afterwards, no change in antenna or site, so why the break? Still going at 1430. I wonder if the second hour now replaces evening on 7290 which has been overtaken by Moldova/Russia? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Romania International in Romanian on Oct. 30: Summer time 1200-1256 on 7420 TIG 100 kW / 300 deg, not winter time 1300-1356 only on 15 170 GAL 300 kW / 290 deg and 17820 GAL 300 kW / 285 deg (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Oct 30, via Wolfgang B_schel, DXLD) To Ivo: Re Tiganesti / Saftica: They need the 3rd transmitter in Saftica / Tiganesti for IRRS Milano on Sundays from 1300 UT? Or the engineers at Saftica had count the wrong winter time?

15190 1300-1500 28-35,39-45,49-51,54-60 MIL 300 270 0 288 1=Sun 301011-250312 Eng I ANT vy 73 wolfy (Wolfgang to Ivo, via DXLD)

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- > 4 frequencies at once. And then there is the 100 kW at Saftica,
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Saftica transmissions have always been put into HFCC under "TIG", too. They can be identified by the power level, 100 instead of 300 kW (Kai Ludwig, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. 9770, Oct 30 at 0527, R. Japan mailbag in English, via FRANCE, ex-11970; 0529 NHK sign-off giving frequencies only for next English broadcast at 1000, on 9605, 9840, 9625, despite totally different targets for that and not likely to be of much use to Africans listening now on 9770.

17650, Nov 1 at 2010, I am surprised to encounter a VG signal in French, news with an emphasis on Japon, which surely no one but NHK would do. Yes, 2014 mentions NHKWorld, the English name mandatory in all language services; after usual Programmwechsel pause of a few sex, 2015 `Affaires et Technologie`. A new time for French from Radio Japon, 2000-2030, 250 kW, 305 degrees from MADAGASCAR, so also USward. Comparing to A-11 schedule, this replaces 1230-1300 on 17690 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KAZAKHSTAN. 9310, Nov 1 at 1317, gospel huxter in English about god and earthquakes, poor with flutter and audio rather thin. It's YFR via Almaty, 11-14, 300 kW, 121 degrees per HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KAZAKHSTAN. Plan. Radio of Kazakhstan 30-Oct-2011 - 24-Mar-2012 kHz / kW / UT / Language / Transmitter / Lat/Long / Beam / CIRAF 7400 / 200 / 1000-1030 / Alma Ata, 43N17/077E00 / 132 / 43,44,50,54 7460 / 200 / 1630-1700 / Alma Ata, 43N17/077E00 / 310 / 28-30 7490 / 200 / 2000-2200 / Alma Ata, 43N17/077E00 / 301 / 27,28,37 11510 / 200 / 1000-1100 / Alma Ata, 43N17/077E00 / 121 / 49,55,59,60 15430 / 500 / 1000-1200 / Alma Ata, 43N17/077E00 / 141 / 49,54 (HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD)

Is this really Kazakstan's own radio service? That has not been on SW for years; all the SW transmitters there sold out to relay foreign

services, primarily YFR, which were also presented in a separate schedule not reproduced here, but it's all in HFCC. These may merely be additional unspecified or possible relays, but please monitor the above transmissions for content (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. Re: ``Aoki has identified the jammed service on 6230 as something called Korean MND Radio, 10 kW non directional from ChunCheon at 0500-0540 and 1200-1240. What does MND mean? (Glenn Hauser, DX Listening Digest)``

Googling would suggest Ministry of National Defense (Mike Barraclough. Nov World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. More French under VOK English --- Voice of Korea was coming in quite well on 11710 kHz this morning in Silicon Valley as it started the 8 am local (1500 UT) broadcast. I could clearly hear a second language, I think French, underneath the English signal.

Perhaps they are using stereo tapes and putting English on one side and French on the other? This might explain the 5-minute break between each program: to rewind the tapes? After all, why break for 5 minutes when you could run another song about Kim Il Sung?

And an hour later, English audible under French. What also sounds like North Korean jamming can be heard in the background. I don't think this is actual jamming. I haven't heard of any jamming of VOK in English or French. Could it be something from a nearby transmitter leaking into the signal at the transmission site? (Martyn Williams, Oct 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5985, Nov 2 at 1408, no signal from Sea Breeze, at an hour it had remained audible recently, so must have made another periodic switcheroo, this time more or less coinciding with A/B seasons? Nothing on 6135 either which it had used before. Then checking another previous frequency, 5910, and there it is at 1410 with characteristic sad piano music under talk in non-English (English sometimes on Wednesdays, almost always on Fridays). Still poorly audible on 5910 at 1429 before sign-off of 1330-1430 broadcast.

Ron Howard, California, agrees it's on 5910 now, and the jammer was already going at 1324, altho not heard here. Finally, Shiokaze is not colliding with Myanmar (5985v) or Madagascar (6135v). Other registered alternates for this in HFCC as 'JIC MIC' are 6015, which I also checked but heard nothing other than jamming in the area; and 6140 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

5910, Shiokaze/Sea Breeze/JSR via Yamata; Nov 2 found North Korean jamming already here by 1324; signed on at 1330 with usual piano music

and into Korean programming; another change to an alternate frequency; most recently was on ex: 5985 (where they blocked Myanmar) and before that ex: 6135 (where they blocked Madagascar); 5910 not blocking anyone, so a good choice; they must have moved here Oct 30 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 3985, Echo of Hope, 1025, talk by Korean M, heard faintly under jammers. 24 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 9650, Wednesday Nov 2 at 1243, KBS World Radio via CANADA commencing weekly `Sounds of Korea` show about traditional musical instruments. Wish I could stop and listen, but too much else to monitor (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN. Re 11-42, DK80K's analysis:

3928 kHz mit Sendeschluss 1634 UT ... Nils, aus den Unterlagen von ehemals Finn Krone, und jetzt dem DSWCI Redakteur: Bei 3930 treibt sich seit Jahren ein >separates< Clandestine Kurdischprogramm herum.

Die anderen beiden Sender senden $\$ oder etwas zeitversetzt auf 3959-3970 und 4868-4880 kHz, auch Frequenz huepfend gleich mal 9-10 kHz hoeher / tiefer.

3930 kHz

3930.624, 0254 UT, strongest station of all Iranian/Kurdish activities this morning. Separate Kurdish music program, Saturday Oct 15th. At least S=9 more than strong program signal. NO JAMMING! - but at 0258 UT. "Era Radyo Dengi Kurdistana", Sulaimaniya, Northern Iraq ID: "Im Radyo Sedaye Kordestane" to Iran. Produced by the Kurdistan Democratic Party of Iran, Sweden,

3965 kHz

3965.100, 0241 UT, Kurdish station appeared now. Kurdish Clandestine stn, and accompanied Iranian bubbler, latter much stronger on 3966.056 kHz at 0259 UT.

und 4870 kHz (ex-4775)

4870.961, 0243 UT, Iranian jamming bubbler, S=7 poor and fluttery, jumped at 0245 UT 10 kHz upwards to 4879.890 kHz.
4869.890, Kurdish Clandestine stn, jumped away at 0245 UT eight Kilohertz upwards to 4878.964 kHz, stronger signal at 0252 UT, male local singer.

Voice of Iranian Kurdistan, ID: "Ere Denge Kurdistana +rane", "Era dengi Kurdistani Irana", Salah Al-Din, No. Iraq. Farsi, ID: "In Seda-ye Kordestan-e Iran", but delayed 30 seconds. Produced by the Democratic Party of Iranian Kurdistan, Canada / France. Jammed by Iran. (dswci DBS Liste) (Wolfgang B_sschel, Oct 23, A-DX / wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non]. 11530, Oct 30 at 1412, Kurdish music, fair with flutter, as V. of Mesopotamia from the PKK ``terrorists`` is still scheduled and audible via UKRAINE, at 05-15 per HFCC, the only one ever on 11530; let`s hope the unlisted Chinese radio war does not erupt here too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT. Re 11-43: 15540, Oct 27 at 1800, I am monitoring R. Kuwait on the portable, but it's too weak to tell if still in Arabic instead of English. Checking on the main rig at 2012, 15540 has faded out and 13650 is in Qur'an.

Oct 28 at 1815, 15540 is JBA, so it's becoming moot what language it's in, but I can just barely tell that it's playing music, no longer // 13650 which is speaking Arabic, so maybe English service is back? Please check in Europe where presumably it remain audible.

As for resuming 11990 for 18-21 English, the frequency they used in past years, and continued to announce until this week, in B-11 that is going to be open, altho squeezed by Russia/Armenia on the lo side and France on the hi side.

15540, Oct 28 at 1800 I could detect that the weak signal here was not // 13650 as it had been the last few days, i.e. R. Kuwait in Arabic instead of English. At 2005 the 15540 signal had axually improved to peaks of S9+10, with Western rock music, typical of the RK English service. Finally at 2050 English ID, timecheck, fanfare and news headlines --- so the 18-21 English service on 15540 is back! at least for now. But B-11 HFCC prolongs the fixion that this is in Arabic, 150 kW, 310 degrees from Kabd to western Europe.

** KUWAIT. 21540, Oct 30 at 1346, hello, it`s B-11 but R. Kuwait is still here in Arabic atop Spain in Spanish, also 1431 with Qur`anish singing. B-11 HFCC as of Oct 28 no longer has Kuwait on 21540, but not on previously tentatively planned 25725 either, shux. I bet it would have propagated at times and would have been a good experiment.

(The only 11m listings in HFCC now are for low-power groundwave DRMs in Europe. Rwanda [q.v.] 25740 DRM is not listed either as someone recently DXed it, but was missing from A-11 too.)

It looks like 21520 is the listed replacement for Kuwait at the same 11m hours, 0105-1500, but unheard yet. That is in fact the only 13m channel for MOI now, so we may hope 21540 will move there when they get around to it.

As for English at 1800, on Oct 29, 15540 reception was too poor to tell, but at 2055 could JBA make out a reassuring rock beat (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And Radio Kuwait in Arabic 1005-1500 again on 21540, co-ch REE Spanish, not on registered 21520 1005(not 0105)-1500 UT 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Oct 30, via Wolfgang B schel, DXLD)

** KUWAIT. 21540, at 1315 Oct 31, day two of B-11, R. Kuwait in Arabic is still here atop Spain, instead of registered change to clear 21520. Hurry up!

21540, Nov 1 at 1341 check, MOI is still here on the third day of B-11 despite registration to move to 21520; as yet very poor signal with Arabic music atop Spain, as all signals degraded by G1 geomag storm, K=5 at 1200, 3 at 1500.

15540, checking whether this is still in English, Nov 1 at 1758 carrier, 1800 accurate timesignal barely audible, but too poor to copy anything else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15540 at 1849 UT sounds like R. Kuwait - checked via an Internet-connected receiver in Switzerland. Didn't have time to wait for an ID. However signal strength even there is only fair to good: SINPO 35443. I believe a lower frequency would be better at this time (Rich Cuff, PA, Nov 1, ibid.)

21540, Nov 2 at 1323, R. Kuwait is still here, but co-channel SPAIN is more of a problem than usual. When will MOI ever move to the frequency they registered for B-11, 21520? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LAOS. 6130, Lao National Radio, 1250, still seems to be the only active HF transmitter from Laos, talk by a man, local music, slightly better copy in LSB. 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBYA. 11600, Radio Libya, 1700, presume the one, weak with music and occasional French talk by a woman. Way below cochannel CRI. 25 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables,

Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST))

11600.00, 1610-1735, 24+25.10, R TV Libya, Sabrata, French programmes, "Chancon" [? Chansons?], Vienna Waltzes and Russian music, ID: "Radio TÈlÈvision Libye de la capitale de Tripoli", 1702 news about the Benghazi declaration of Liberty, military victory by the Libyan Liberation Army, heading towards democracy. New station with new manning with completely different style from former "Voice of Africa"! 45432, Poor voice audio modulation. From *1700 QRM from CRI in Swahili. On 26.10 LBY was OFF the air 1610-1720. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

11600, are the newbies at R. Libye still doing a French service at 1600v-1800v? I never got much of a signal here, but Oct 29 at 1650 check there is absolutely no carrier audible, while I am getting stuff on 11610, probably RFA Saipan and/or jamming, and 11620, India in Russian via Bengaluru (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** LITHUANIA. Plan. Lithuanian National Radio and TV 30-Oct-2011 - 25-Mar-2012 from Sitkunai, 55N02/023E49 kHz / kW / UTC / Language / Beam / CIRAF 7325 / 100 / 2300-2400 / Lit, Eng / 310 / 4,8,9 9555 / 100 / 0600-1600 / Lit, Rus / 79 / 29,30 9710 / 100 / 0800-1500 / Lit, Eng / 259 / 27,28 9735 / 100 / 0100-0300 / Lit, Eng / 310 / 4,8,9 9875 / 100 / 0000-0100 / Lit, Eng / 310 / 4,8,9 (HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD)
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- R. Vilnius has been gone from SW for years. We can only assume above schedule be imaginary, like too much of HFCC registrations (gh, DXLD)
- ** LITHUANIA. Plan. Zilionis Radio TV Consulting, Lithuania 30-Oct-2011 24-Mar-2012 from Sitkunai, 55N02/023E49 /

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UTC
                      / Language/ Beam / CIRAF
kHz / kW /
5915 / 100 / 1730-1830 / Deu
                               / 259 / 28NW
5915 / 100 / 1830-1930 / Fra
                                / 259 / 27SE,28NW
5915 / 100 / 1930-2030 / Eng
                               / 259 / 18,27N
5990 / 100 / 1730-1830 / Deu
                               / 259 / 28NW
6055 / 100 / 2030-2130 / Spa
                               / 259 / 37N
                               / 259 / 18,27N,27SW,28NW
6055 / 100 / 2130-2300 / Eng
                               / 310 / 8
6115 / 100 / 0200-0400 / Eng
                                                    Mon, Fri-Sun
                              / 259 / 28NW
6115 / 100 / 1730-1830 / Deu
6115 / 100 / 1830-1930 / Fra
                               / 259 / 27SE,28NW
6115 / 100 / 1930-2030 / Eng
                               / 259 / 18,27N
6130 / 100 / 1430-1530 / Rus
                               / 79 / 19,29
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/ 310 / 8
7270 / 100 / 0200-0400 / Eng
                                                     Mon, Fri-Sun
7380 / 100 / 0700-1430 / Lit,Rus /
                                    79 / 27,28,29,30
7380 / 100 / 1430-1530 / Rus
                                /
                                    79 / 19,29,30
7380 / 10 / 2130-0700 / Lit
                                /
                                    79 / 28,29
7420 / 100 / 1430-1530 / Rus
                                /
                                   79 / 19,29,30
7420 / 100 / 1730-1830 / Deu
                                / 259 / 28NW
9770 / 100 / 0000-0300 / Lit, Eng / 310 / 3,4,6-11
9770 / 100 / 0300-0630 / Lit,Rus /
                                   79 / 29,30,31
9770 / 100 / 0630-0730 / Lit, Eng / 259 / 28NW, 28SW
9770 / 100 / 0730-1300 / Lit, Eng / 259 / 27,28,36,37NW
9770 / 50 / 1430-1530 / Lit,Rus / 79 / 29,30,31,32N
9770 / 100 / 2000-2200 / Spa, Eng / 259 / 17,18,27N,28NW
9770 / 50 / 2200-2400 / Lit,Rus / 79 / 29,30,31
(HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD)
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Unfortunately, above lacks what *station* is being relayed!!! And probably excessive registrations, not all in real use. How much of that is imaginary? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

- ** MADAGASCAR. 6135.29, R. Madagascar, *1327, carrier suddenly snapped on, but little or no audio getting through, so presumed. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** MAURITANIA. 7245, Nov 2 at 0115, ME music, presumed IGIM on the air this night; also at 0243. Beware: not in HFCC, which on 7245 only shows TAJIKISTAN at 02-18. Did not check again until 0551 when IGIM was indeed on with Arabic talk, 0559 chanting (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** MEXICO. Pre-sunrise MW DX Oct 27:
- 560, Oct 27 at 1203 UT, ``La Primera en Monclova``, Casas Luxor sponsors time & temp, from ``XEGIK, presenta Son Noticias``. That`s a play on words, both ``the sound of news`` and ``this is the news``
- 620, Oct 27 at 1206 UT, two stations mixing, one playing NA late atop, and the other in Spanish talk. 1207 the NA station sign-on mentions Chihuahua2, so it`s the usual XEBU. The other one is more southerly, news mentioning Estado de Veracruz, then many other place names, Estado de Mèxico; most likely XENK in the DF
- 650, Oct 27 at 1200 UT, NA, 1201 ID as Radio Viva, Radio K(?), Grupo Ch·vez, tuba ensemble, 1202 ``Panorama Agropecuario`` farm show from Sinaloa heard any morning at this time, so it`s still XETNT Los Mochis
- 860, Oct 27 at 1218 UT, novelty or children's song about escuela, 1220

quick singing ID Radio Recuerdo, interviewing kids including first-graders BrÌtany y StÈfani (no telling how they really spell the names) about what they are learning. Seldom log any XEs on 860. Cant: 860 XENL Radio Recuerdo Monterrey, N.L. 5,000 2,000

1030, Oct 27 at 1231 UT, from WSW, gobierno federal PSAs, news about Euro financial situation; 1242 PSAs from Estado de Chihuahua, gob. fed. So XEYC, R. F \hat{U} rmula, Ciudad Ju·rez.

The fed PSAs are now appending a rapid condensed-speech disclaimer at the end, the text of which I wish I could copy. Unfortunately, we never see any ``domestic`` MW logs from Mexican DXers; apparently there is no interest there in such pursuits.

1030, Nov 1 at 1355 UT, was not expecting to hear a Mexican an hour after sunrise here, but there are Grupo FÛrmula promos, 1356 Banco de MÈxico ad listing lots of 0800 toll-free numbers, roughly from east/west, 1358 losing out to C&W station. First I figured it might be Tijuana still in darkness, but that's not FÛrmula, instead per Cant': 1030 XEYC Radio FÛrmula Cd. Ju·rez, Chih. 5,000 500 IRCA agrees on the group for this one, but Tampico, now surely too far east into dayside, is on another FÛrmula network. Sunrise in Ju·rez was 1322 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6185, Radio EducaciÛn, 0730, noted in passing, fair, eclectic mix of classical, new age and traditional XE music. 24 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also VATICAN

- ** MONACO [non]. Fontbonne swan song
- > Fontbonne being another shortwave site that goes dark on Saturday, as it no longer shows up in the B11 schedule of TWR.

And the swan song of the shortwave broadcasting transmitters there should be on right now, until 1030, on 9440. Carrier was already on at 0953, TWR IS started at 0955 and led at 1000 over smoothly, as if it had already been included in the production, to the programme from Radio Armonia in Iasi [Romania] (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 1011 UT Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

... programme ended at 1029 with closure announcement (address, website, etc.) on music bed which had been faded up, then rather rudely cut off, one stroke of TWR IS and after just three seconds the carrier went away. So much for these meanwhile 50 year (not 40, a typo I saw too late) old transmitters (Kai Ludwig, 1034 UT, ibid.)

Contrary to information from Listening World last month, Trans World Radio English is now 0800-0850 on 6105 via Nauen and 7310 via Moosbrunn (Wolfgang Bueschel, Nov World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

Confirmed on 7310 October 30 at 0815, excellent signal. There are now no registrations listed for the Monte Carlo shortwave site, actually Fontbonne in France (Mike Barraclough, ibid.)

** MOROCCO. Re: I think the actual transmitters have been removed from Briech, if various info sources are correct.

One BBG document mentioned that solid-state modulators from Briech are now in use in identical transmitters elsewhere, in particular at Iranawila. I have not seen mentions of complete transmitters being moved so far, and perhaps indeed just the modulators and maybe other parts have been ripped out and the remains left behind, considering that a number of transmitters from Gloria and Holzkirchen must still be in storage somewhere if they have not been sold as scrap metal in the meantime.

Otherwise it had been announced already before the closure that the whole plant will be handed over to the Moroccan authorities. IBB just took off what they still have use for and left anything else behind. Basically the same applies to Kavala [GREECE] (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 9730v, Nov 2 at 1244 as I was checking Thailand on 9720, also noticed het here and suspected always off-frequency Rangoon. Yes, Ron Howard reports 9730.82, Myanma Radio at 1208-1321 Nov 2, prolonged schedule from previous closing at 1000* which he last heard Sept 13. The 9730.0 hetter/hettee before 1257 would be CRI English via Kunming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

9730.82, Myanma Radio, 1208-1321, Nov 2 with a new schedule; ex: 1000*, which I last heard Sept 13; in vernacular and playing mostly pop songs in English; Cher iJust Like Jesse Jamesî; mostly poor; best in USB due to light to moderate QRM from 9730.0 before 1257; from 1257 to 1258 no adjacent QRM; after 1258 the adjacent QRM became very strong; not // 5915 or 5985.83 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, Etûn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [and non]. There will be no changes to the RNW English stream as far as I am aware. Normal production of all our current services continues until at least 31st December. But there is some reduction in the use of shortwave. The schedule effective tomorrow is at

http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbybrc.php?seas=B11&broadc=RNW

Things will change further in 2012. Our Dutch service will close at the end of the winter period, and special programming is already being prepared.

As far as other languages are concerned, exactly what will continue has not yet been finalized. We will inform our listeners/readers as soon as we know ourselves.

On a personal note, I am negotiating to retire in May 2012. I have a meeting the week after next when details will hopefully be finalized (Andy Sennitt, ODXA yg via DXLD)

BAD AUDIO QUALITY. RNW Dutch via Grigoriopol on 9895 kHz had a very bad BUZZ on the satellite feeder line from Hilversum to Moldova, during the full transmission hour. 0600 - 0657 UT. BOTH, yesterday Oct 30 and today Oct 31. !!! vy73 wolfy df5sx wwdxc germany (Wolfgang B_schel, to RNW, cc to DXLD)

Hello Wolfgang, Thank you for your report. We noted the bad quality too, we will complain with the VOR, where we rent this capacity. It's either serious transmitter hum or a bad internal circuit because our satellite signal is OK. We also feed SMG on 5955 kHz with the same satellite feed (Eutelsat Hotbird RNW-8). Best Regards, Rocus de Joode Program Distribution, Radio Netherlands Worldwide | Hilversum | The Netherlands | T +31 35 6724 651 | M +31 6 53468371 Skype: rdejoode | http://www.rnw.nl | http://www.wereldomroep.nl (via B_schel, DXLD)

** NEWFOUNDLAND. 6160, CKZN, St. John's. 0745 October 30, 2011. Odd, as I didn't know what could be the source of Deutsche Welle on shortwave at this hour, much less in English. A magazine program hosted by non-German accented man, mostly dealing with current European financial issues. ID, email and a PO Box at 0758, then "DW Radio" (not Deutsche Welle Radio -- just DW Radio), then male "This is CBC Radio One" and female "This is CBC News" at 0800 with no local ID. News till 0804, then into CBC music program. Clear and fair (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** NEW ZEALAND. B-11 Radio New Zealand International from Oct. 30
0459-0758 11725 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM All Pacific
0459-0758 13730 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
0759-1058 9765 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM All Pacific
0759-1058 9870 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
1059-1258 15720 RAN 100 kW / 325 deg AM NWPac Bougainville PNG Timor
1059-1158 9870 RAN 050 kW / 325 deg DRM NWPac Bougainville PNG Timor
1259-1550 5950 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM All Pacific
1551-1650 7440 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM Samoa, Cook Islands
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1551-1650 5950 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Samoa, Cook Islands
1651-1750 9765 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM Niue, Tonga, Samoa, Cook
1651-1750 9890 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Niue, Tonga, Samoa, Cook
1751-1850 11725 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg AM Niue, Tonga, Samoa, Cook
1751-1850 11675 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Niue, Tonga, Samoa, Cook
1751-1850 11725 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg DRM Niue, Tonga, Samoa, Cook
1851-1950 15720 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
1851-1950 15720 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Samoa, Tonga
1951-2050 17675 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Samoa, Tonga
2051-2150 11725 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg DRM Solomon Islands
2051-2150 15720 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM Solomon Islands
2151-0458 15720 RAN 100 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
2151-0458 17675 RAN 050 kW / 000 deg DRM All Pacific
Updated: Oct. 29 (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)
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Our direct broadcasts can be heard on short-wave as follows : 30 Oct 2011 - 24 Mar 2012 UTC

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Target all daily
                 kHz
0459-0758 11725 AM 13730 DRM Pacific
0759-1058
          9765 AM
                   9870 DRM Pacific
1059-1158 15720 AM
                    9870 DRM Timor [note unusually high
                              Timor frequency at these times]
1159-1258 15720 AM
1300-1550
           5950 AM
                              Pacific
1551-1650
           7440 AM
                    9890 DRM Cook Islands, Samoa
1651-1750
          9765 AM 9890 DRM Cook Islands, Samoa, Niue, Tonga
1751-1850 11725 AM 11675 DRM Cook Islands, Samoa, Niue, Tonga
1851-2050 15720 AM 17675 DRM Pacific
2051-2150 17675 AM 15720 DRM Solomon Islands
2151-0458 15720 AM 17675 DRM
                              Pacific
(RNZI website via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)
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5950, Oct 30 at 1321, RNZI back here for B-11 ex-6170 in A-11, fair with news about Australia, Fiji. Now scheduled 1300-1550 in AM, while the DRM transmitter takes a break.

18910, altho HFCC B11 shows this as an RNZI DRM frequency at 23-04, both 325 and 35 degrees with 25 kW each, starting 30 Oct, nothing heard at several chex 23-03 UT Oct 31-Nov 1. 0, HFCC also remarx `tests`. RNZI`s posted schedule http://www.rnzi.com/pages/listen.php shows 17675 instead.

{We can't think of any better place than 18910 for DRM, far from any AM signal to bother or vice versa, unlike 17675 where RNZI doggedly stix, currently abutting CVC Chile 17680 AM from 2151 to 0100.}

6170, RNZI is by mistake back on A-11 frequency! Nov 1 at 1307 news of Cook Islands, NZ, nothing on 5950 which we did confirm in use Oct 30,

the first day of B-11; still audible on 6170 at 1346.

5950, I meant to check earlier today whether RNZI was back on proper frequency, instead of 6170 yesterday, but did not think of it until 1407 UT Nov 2: anyway there is some signal on 5950, not 6170, presumably RNZI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re 18910 [DRM] - yes, RNZI has registered it with the HFCC for coverage testing purposes. So far there have been 3 or 4 test transmissions on 18910 of short duration between 2200-0400 UT in September and October. There will be more later this month. There is no plan at present to use this frequency on a daily basis in the B11 schedule. Regards (Adrian Sainsbury, Technical Manager, Radio New Zealand International, P O Box 123, Wellington Web: http://www.rnzi.com RNZI Frequency Schedule at http://www.rnzi.com/pages/listen.php

** NICARAGUA. 8989-USB, "Pescador Preacher", 2153 October 27, 2011. Excellent as usual, with scripture quoting man broadcast to the fishing boats, pauses with occasional boater responses. Lots of "hallelujah, hallelujah" breaks to key responders. Mention of "Puerto Cabezas" and "Zelaya" by one fisherman. This one was first discovered by D. Crawford probably about a year ago. Active almost daily, weekdays around this time and an hour or two later, more sporadic on Saturday/Sunday (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER. 9705.02, LV du Sahel, 0627, French, presumed with talk by a man, brief music bridges, weak in noise. 25 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 6089.83, FRCN, Kaduna. 2150-2204 October 27, 2011. Tune-in clear but weak, but building fast. Male FRCN ID, seemingly no time sounders, into talk -- also in Hausa -- but if news, no obvious headlines or events noted. Pretty decent by 2204, when clobbered by abrupt University Network transmitter up at 2204:45 with carrier for a few seconds, then into in-progress old Dr. Gene Scott ramblings. Low het still present via LSB, but no longer able to copy audio from Kaduna. Reactivated, or has it always been here? Who knows, but it's nice to hear a regional Niggie, regardless.

6089.84, FRCN, Kaduna. 2155 October 28, 2011. Islamic-influenced highlife segments, Hausa male announcer 2157, 2158, 2159, etc. No time sounders at 2200, just the same format continuing. Brief Qur'an recital 2202. very good, and got to copy today until 2209:24, when

University Network, Anguilla came up later than the usual 2202-ish (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 15120, Oct 31 at 0529, VON is back with good signal strength, but awful modulation, whine, hum, scratchy audio, YL with program previews not in order, 0531 `Moving On` about local government elexions in Lagos state plus music.

Since last week's geomag storm, nightmiddle MUF has had a tough time exceeding 12 or even 10 MHz, but now it's recovering, with many other signals on 15 MHz (but 17 still dead).

15120, Nov 1 at 0454, drumming and ``Voice of Nigeria, Lagos`` ID (not Abuja??), big S9+15 signal but the hum/whine is so heavy today vs undermodulated audio that it`s pointless to try to listen further. What a joke! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6930.25, PIRATE, The Crystal Ship, 0202 pop music, 0207 iYou are listening to The Crystal Ship on the TCS shortwave network.î, email address. Very good. 10/30/11. (Sellers-BC)

6930.1-USB, PIRATE, Radio Free Manitoba, 0302 "Radio Free Manitoba is on the air." and "This is Radio Free Manitoba in the pirate band.", requesting reports to Northern Relay Service, followed by fried chicken skit. Fair. 10/30/11 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, B.C., Listening from my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna. Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1600, KUSH Cushing, missing for several days, is back Oct 27 at 1800 UT check, local ads, Oklahoma News Network.

1600, Oct 29 around 2050, seems like Cushing`s KUSH is open carrier, only, but at least a carrier instead of nothing (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. RF32, KXOK-LD is again being seen on the duplicate adjacent channel to its regular one, RF31 in Enid, morning of Oct 28 from 1518 UT tune-in onwards. They also have a DTV translator on 35 in Lamont, halfway to Ponca City, which I don't usually see. Still no explanation of what they're doing on 32.

Altho we had a near-freeze this morning, a little tropo enhancement developed tnx warmup by 1437 UT Oct 28, with visible analog signal from KWDW-LP channel 48 OKC with Univisiûn's 'hoy' program from Televisa, all about Salma Hayek. Then the ch 19 LP in OKC also barely locked in, so these two are still on the air in an otherwise vacant

analog TV spectrum here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Mr Tepper: Your firm is on record with the FCC as representing KXOK-LD, channel 31 here in Enid, OK.

I wonder if you can explain something strange that I noticed while tuning through the digital TV channels. KXOK was appearing not only on its usual RF channel 31, but duplicated on RF channel 32, with a weaker signal. 32 was previously its analog channel, which of course has been off the air for over a year.

I was noticing KXOK on 32 October 13-17, and for a few more days, but it is no longer appearing. In my experience of monitoring television signals, this has never happened before with any other station. In the analog era, receiver overload could cause an extra image on the immediate adjacent channel of a very strong signal, but a broadcast consultant I asked about this agreed that there is no way this could happen with DTV, so apparently the station would actually need to have been transmitting on the extra channel for some reason.

Let me make clear that I am NOT being confused by RF vs virtual channels, PSIP IDs. I was manually tuning on a DTV converter to the actual RF channels. KXOK was on both 31 and 32.

Searching FCC data, there is nothing for KXOK on channel 32, nor any licensee in the area which could have been relaying them.

I phoned TV-OK about this but never got a callback, and when I visited their office during business hours, it was dark.

So could you please explain? Thanks very much, Glenn Hauser (to Carry Tepper, Washington DC, via DXLD)

Re: KXOK on additional channel, why?

Good morning Mr. Hauser -- Since I am a lawyer and not an engineer, I have copied technical consultant Jeff Brock on this reply email. He has done technical work for KXOK in the past. Perhaps he can answer your questions. Take care (Cary Tepper, Oct 28, ibid.)

Glenn -- I am not sure if anyone responded to your email, but what you are seeing is the image on the Channel 32 STL link that has been applied for. The FCC allows one month of STL operations that have been applied for, but not yet granted (Cary Tepper, Oct 31, ibid.)

Cary, No, I haven't heard from anyone at KXOK. Thanks for the followup. But I don't understand exactly what this is. I have never heard of a studio-transmitter link being run on the regular TV band itself. By image, that implies it's really on some other frequency/channel. If so, where is that? Could you send me a link to the FCC info about this application. And yes, I am still getting it on 32 as well as 31. Thanks, (Glenn to Cary, ibid.)

Glenn -- Attached is a copy of the STL application that was recently filed (Cary Tepper, Nov 1, ibid.)

FCC Form 601, dated Oct 31, 2011. I have put it on my website at: http://www.w4uvh.net/TVOKSTL32.pdf

Attached to the above is a link to the following, which explains what this is really all about --- so power is 95 watts EIRP on channel 32. Why they need this to feed the Lamont translator in addition to their much more powerful signal on ch 31 from the same location is unclear:

https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/attachments/ attachmentViewRD.jsp;ATTACHMENTS=LJLTT0xNCZ0Q1hYMr1F1k9KTRcKCJ7Prvcxp8qdNhyc2GDhMX hWz!1652455232!-439510360? applType=search&fileKey=1170057631&attachmentKey=18809504&attachmentInd=applAttach

TVOK NETWORK, LLC
TV STL SYSTEM
CHANNEL 32
ENID, OKLAHOMA
October 2011
SELF-COORDINATION ENGINEERING STATEMENT

This statement was prepared on behalf of TVOK Network, LLC (iTNLî), licensee of LPTV station KXOK-LD, Channel 31, Enid, Oklahoma. TNL is seeking authority to construct and operate a UHF-TV microwave system between its tower site in Enid, Oklahoma and a site located near Lamont, Oklahoma. The system will be vertically polarized and operate in the frequency range of 578-584 MHz (UHF-TV Channel 32). The proposed EIRP of the system is well below the 35 dBW FCC limit for TV studio transmitter links.

Channel 32 (578-584 MHz) was analyzed using Longley-Rice OET Bulletin #69 criteria for low power TV facilities, as implemented on the V-Soft Probe 3 computer model. This model has been found to replicate the model used by the FCC for TV interference reviews. The analysis considered full power and low power TV stations, as well as the taboo UHF channels.

There were no stations found that would receive interference as a result of the proposed microwave system. The cell size for the analysis was set at 1.0 kilometer, with terrain sampled at 0.1 kilometer increments, using the 3 second N.G.D.C. computer terrain

database. The results of the study are attached as Exhibit A. Based on the foregoing, the proposed Channel 32 UHFTV microwave system is believed to be in compliance with the Commissionis rules.

The foregoing was prepared on behalf of TVOK Network, LLC, by Graham Brock, Inc., its Technical Consultants. All information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of our belief and knowledge. Television station data used in the interference review was extracted from FCC CDBS database, as updated on October 26, 2011. We assume no liability for errors or omissions in that database.

TVOK NETWORK, LLC TV STL SYSTEM CHANNEL 32 ENID, OKLAHOMA October 2011

EXHIBIT A

Outgoing Interference Population Report

TV STL (Channel 32 - Digital) Enid, Oklahoma

Broadcast Type: Digital Service: G [Stringent Emission Mask] Lat: 36-23-48 N Lng: 097-52-38 W ERP: 0.095 kW AMSL: 457.7 m

TV Outgoing Interference Study

Signal Resolution: 1.0 km Consider NTSC Taboo: Yes

KWX error points are considered to be interference free coverage.

Default # of radials computed for contours: 72

Contours calculated using 8 radial HAAT.

LR Profile Spacing Increment: 0.1 km

Masked interference points are being counted as interference free.

Using LPTV/translator D/U rules.

Pop Centroid DB: 2000 US Census (SF1)

Study Date: 10/26/2011

TV Database Date: 10/26/2011

Primary Terrain: V-Soft 3 Second US Terrain Secondary Terrain: V-Soft 30 Second US Database

Stations Considered:

[then follows a list of channel 31, 32 and 33 stations in OK, KS and TX with distances and bearings] (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. RF 51, KSBI OKC, Oct 30 at 0400 UT, ID slide I happened to see prior to Count Gregor's horror movie, also showed two translators below the '52' logo --- one of which was K45EJ Enid. This translator has been off the air for years! Analog was gone long before it might have transitioned to digital as planned on same channel, and hope it stays off, since we have full-power DTV from Wichita and Tulsa on 45 which sometimes make it thru. Could it be in OKC they don't even know K45EJ is dead? Hardly needed in Enid, as if we can get any of the

OKC UHFs OTA, we can also get KSBI direct (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. Radio Sultanate of Oman?? 15140, Thumrait?? Oct 30, 2011, Sunday. 1510-1531. OM talking monologue, but unreadable, although it sounded English as per HFCC B11. No ID heard. Very poor, to Central and East Africa. Jo'burg sunset 1624 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RSO has conflicting registrations for 315 degrees at 14-15 English, 15-22 Arabic; and 14-22 220 degrees in English. They can't be doing both at once, and the latter is surely the fake one, i.e. only one hour of English until 15, then Arabic:

15140 1400 1500 28,39N THU 100 315 0 218 1234567 301011 250312 D Eng OMA RSO RSO 6116 RSO 15140 1400 2200 48,53 THU 100 220 0 205 1234567 301011 250312 D Eng OMA RSO RSO 6125 RSO 15140 1500 2200 28,39N THU 100 315 0 218 1234567 301011 250312 D Arb OMA RSO RSO 6123 RSO (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

15140, Oct 31 at 1443, commentary in English about tolerance, good conduct, addressing `honorable members of the Council of Oman`. Poor signal with flutter, but much better than usual from R. Oman`s English hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Radio Pakistan B-11 winter schedule 30 Oct 2011 to 25 March 2012.

Balti	0445-0530	sAs	7465		
Bangla	0900-1000	sAs	9665	11870	
Chinese	1200-1300	FE	11845	15700	
Dari	1445-1545	Afgh.	5095		
English	1100-1104	wEu	15725	17700	news
Farsi	1700-1800	ME/nAf	5900	7470	
Gujarati	1145-1215	sAs	9805	11860	
Hindi	1045-1145	sAs	9805	11860	
Nepali	1000-1030	sAs	9665	11870	
Pushto	1345-1445	Afgh.	5095		
Sheena	0530-0615	sAs	7465		
Sinhali	1230-1300	sAs	9800	11880	
Tamil	1300-1330	sAs	9800	11880	
Urdu	0045-0215	seAs	11600	15490	
	0500-0700	ME/nAf	15725	17830	
	0830-1100	wEu	15725	17700	
	1330-1530	ME/nAf	11575	15290	
	1700-1900	wEu	7530	9470	

English 1600-1615 ME/nAf 11585 15285 deleted

(R. Pakistan pdf file via Abid Hussain Sajid-PAK, dxld Oct 28; extracted & reformatted by wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Original sked in spreadsheet does not show ANY English. Perhaps there are still bits mixed in with Urdu? (gh, DXLD)

And if you don't see an English broadcast at 1600-1615 - it's in Row 42 for Iran, Gulf and Middle East, which has been become hidden for some reason. ``English - 7510 - 1600 - 1615`` (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, ibid.)

Hidden because it no longer really exists? (gh, DXLD)

I was able to confirm today (30 October) that R. Pakistan continues its English news broadcasts within its Urdu service on 17700 and 15725 at 0905-0910 and 1100-1104.

I have now also confirmed today (30 October) that R. Pakistan also continues its English news broadcast within the Urdu service on 7530 and 9470 at 1700-1710 (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

True, I also listened today to 9470 kHz via Globaltuners.com; rx Location: Diano Marina, Imperia, Italy. Receiver: Yaesu FRG-8800; Antenna: antenna HF LONG WIRE. 1700 UT Radio Pakistan News in English for approx 10 minutes and was followed by Songs in Urdu. SINPO 43333 in Italy (Partha Sarathi Goswami Siliguri, West Bengal, India, ibid.)

What is it with R. Pakistan's aversion to broadcasting in English? Now only 4 minutes a day?? Oh, still 14? Oh, now it's 19?? That's still precious little. Yes, I know, [anti-]colonial legacy, but still, English is a rather useful second lingua franca in Asia and everywhere, and as a matter of fact it is one of Pak's own two official languages!! Wikipedia:

``English is the official language, being widely used within the government, by the civil service and the officer ranks of the military. Pakistan's Constitution and laws are written in English. Nearly all schools, colleges and universities, use English as the medium of instruction. Amongst the more educated social circles of Pakistan, English is seen as the language of upward mobility and its use is becoming more prevalent in upper social circles often spoken alongside native Pakistani languages. Among countries that use English as an official language, Pakistan is the third most populous in the

world.`` (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Dxers, There was some gossip about having the Arabic section back, but sounds like they changed their minds. Best regards (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

For the world of me I can never hear the R. Pakistan Sinhala and Tamil on the listed frequencies or anywhere on the band. Right now 11880 and 9800 yield nothing (Victor Goonetilleke, Sri Lanka, 1245 UT Oct 30, HCDX via DXLD)

At 1434z PBC Urdu on 11575, nothing heard on 15290. Regards, (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear friends, I would like to thank you for your cooperation in the field of SW monitoring of PBC frequencies for the last many seasons. I hope that this contact will flourish even more in the coming years. Please find attached PBC HF Schedule B11 for your reference.

Best wishes and regards.

Iftikhar Hussain Malik, Deputy Controller, Frequency Management Cell, Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation Headquarters, Islamabad, Pakistan (via Abid Hussain Sajid, Oct 31, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 7324.95, Wantok Radio Light, 0855, contemporary Christian music, 0900 relay of NBC National News, read by a man. Goodvery good. 26 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. CQ, CQ, CQ. AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los Incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

980.00, R. Primavera, Huancayo, JunÌn, 12/10 0240-0310, 22222, mxf huaylas, ID "En esta primavera, est· usted en Primavera", mxf huayno, ID "Esta es Primavera Radio 980 AM" QTH: Av. Mariscal Castilla 4162, Huancayo, JunÌn. NOTA: Por momento se sobrepone R. RCN [Cali]

1020.00, R. Bambamarca, Cajamarca, 18/10 0420-0514, 33333, mxf huayno, ID "Por su Radio Bambamarca, la frecuencia lÌder en los 1020 kHz", programa Por los Caminos del Per`. ID "Radio Bambamarca, la frecuencia lÌder, trasmitiendo desde Jorge Ch·vez 419, en esta ciudad de Bambamarca, Cajamarca", programa La AlegrÌa Musical http://es-es.facebook.com/pages/RADIO-BAMBAMARCA-FRECUENCIA-LIDER/104819472935469

- 1050.00, R. Campesina, Cajamarca, 23/10 0600-0630, 44444, mxf huayno, ID "Radio Campesinaaaa", mxf huayno, ID "Campesina, la n'mero uno en sintonÌa", mxf carnaval cajamarquino, ID "Campesina, siempre con todo". http://radiocampesinadecajamarca.com
- 1260.00, R. PREGONERO CRISTIANO, Chimbote, Ancash, 23/10 0640-0715, 33333, ID ``Radio El Pregonero Cristiano, no solamente es una radio, te muestra el camino hacia Dios, visÌtanos en nuestras oficinas de esta ciudad de Chimbote"

http://www.datosperu.org/tb-normas-legales-oficiales-2002-Mayo-18-05-2002-pagina-47.php

- 1280.00, R, Moderna, Cajamarca, Cajamarca, 8/10 0955-1020, 22222, mxf huayno, ID "Rauda y Moderna, surcando los cielos, Radio Moderna desde Cajamarca`, mxf huayno, ID "Radio Moderna, la frecuencia de los 1280 kHz`, programa Estampa de mi Tierra, ID "Somos Moderna, la radio que marca la diferencia"
- 1540.00, R. Turbo Mix, Cajamarca, Cajamarca, 8/10 0920-0953, 22222, px Fin de Semana, mxf huayno, ID "Radio Turbo Mix, lo m·ximo" mxf Carnavalito cajamarquino http://www.turbomix.com.pe/
- 3329.55, R. Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco, 10/10 0955-1035, 44444, ads Agro FalcÛn, lo mejor en la agricultura, mxf huayno, Slogan: Desde Hu·nuco, trasmite Ondas del Huallaga en su tres frecuencias, [sic] OXCN 1350 kHz OM, OX3Q 3330 kHz y 88.9 FM Stereo, Ondas del Huallaga para todo el Per˙", mxf huaylas, http://www.paginasamarillas.com.pe/b/radio-ondas-del-huallaga-s-a-c-319475

[Peruvian callsigns are not OX-, as in Greenland, but OAX-, maybe OBX- or OCX-, and always inconveniently a number in the middle --- gh]

- 4955.00, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, Ayacucho, 10/10 1040-1120, 44444, mx religiosa, trasmisiÛn biling e Quecua-EspaÒol, mv ID "Radio Cultural Amauta" programa de la iglesia evangÈlica Pentecostal Misionera
- 4974.78, PacÌfico Radio, Lima, 25/10 0938-1010, 44444, ads centro mÈdico Natural Silva, px Dulce Amanecer. ID "En PacÌfico, estamos presentando Dulce Amanecer". Mxf con temas religiosos. NOTA: ellos trasmiten la seòal para SudamÈrica de HCJB; escuchÈ mx religiosa y mensajes bÌblicos, ID "Con una programaciÛn renovada, HCJB, 24 horas junto a usted". Programa Estudio BÌblico desde Quito. Luego a la final de este programa (1000 UT), dicen reciÈn Radio Del PacÌfico y tocan el Himno Nacional, luego anuncian ID "Por Radio del PacÌfico". http://www.grupopacifico.org/radio.html

- 5014.30, R. Altura, Junìn, 21/10 2315-0005, 44444, ads Colegio de ingenieros de Pasco anuncia su diplomado; ID "Radio Altura, tambiÈn se escucha en los 90.7 FM, 750 AM y 5010 kHz Onda corta tropical. Radio Altura poder"; mxf Huaylas, px Per Profundo, mxf Huayno ID "Altura, para el Per y el Mundo" [this item only in WORLD OF RADIO 1589]
- 5024.90, R. Quillabamba, Quillabamba, Cusco, 6/10 2300-0007, 55555, px religioso biling e quechua, espaòol, ID "Radio Quillabamba, presenta el Vocero Cooperativo", sobre el agro. http://quillabambanoticias.org/radioquillabamba/
- 5039.15, R. Libertad de Junìn, Junìn, 7/10 1023-1130, 55555, ads Centro mèdico el Naturista de Vicente de los Milagros, jirûn San Martìn 552 en esta ciudad de Junìn, mxf huayno en espaòol, ID "Por Radio Libertad", mxf Huaylas, ID, "A travès de los 1180 y 98.9 de Radio Libertad de Junìn". http://www.rlibertadjunin.com/
- 9674.80, PacÌfico Radio, Lima, 6/10 1840-1920, 44444, ads ClÌnica Pacifico de Lima Norte, ID "En PacÌfico Radio este es el noticiero del deporte", programa bloque deportivo. NOTA: verifico 640 AM, est·n en //, mas no en los 4974.75, programa Bien de Salud. http://www.grupopacifico.org/radio.html
- La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 04 al 25/10 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3 y una antena de hilo largo de 15 metros. Muchos 128¥s (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Perʾ, EL CHASQUI DX OCTUBRE 2011, via Dario Monferini, Oct 27, playdx yg via DXLD) 128`s??
- ** PERU. 4746.94, Huanta 2000, 1036, fair, local music, comments by a man, best in LSB to avoid 4750 slop. 24 Oct.
- 4774.95, Radio Tarma, 1007, good with huaynos, brief comments by a man at 1010, more music. 21 Oct.
- 4955, Radio Cultural Amauta, 1020, fair with huaynos, talk by a man, mensajes. 21 Oct.
- 5039.16, R. Libertad, 1032, causing a big het with presumed China on 5040, but readable in LSB with huaynos. 21 Oct.
- 5120.32, Ondas del Suroriente, 1045, breaking through the QRN with mensajes by M, into huaynos. Freq clear but checks on previous days had OHR in this area. 25 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 6019.104, Radio Victoria, 0001-2359 Oct 28, Not heard for more than a month. If you do hear this station sometime in the future, please don't hesitate to report this. It has also been heard using 9720 kHz. Thanks (Chuck Bolland, FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9720 had been missing a lot longer. The Italian DX visitors to Peru indicated here that R. Victoria was gone for good (gh, DXLD)

** PHILIPPINES. 999, Unidentified, 1310, upbeat Tagalog M with ads, very good in null of ABC Broken Hill and 2ST. No ID, which one is this? 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. 15620, Oct 31 at 1438, good signal in Indonesian, except for QRM from WEWN 15610 squishyspur beating against it around 15619. HFCC shows FEBC Bocaue site, 100 kW, 200 degrees and Aoki confirms it in Indonesian as of A-11 at 1430-1600. Christians vs Christians! Or more specifically, Catholix vs Protestants! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** POLAND [non]. CHANGES TO POLISH RADIO EXTERNAL SERVICE

Hi Glenn, Greetings. There has been a last minute change to Polish Radio External Service. The planned move to MW 1296 has been canceled for the B 11 season, which was to broadcast between 1800-1900 Via Orfordness, UK. The transmission will now go out as follows:

1800-1900 UT 3955 kHz 250 kW 106 degrees Via Skelton, to North West Europe. "News from Poland" will also be broadcast live at 1800 UT. Best Wishes (Chris Lewis, England, Oct 27, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Polish Radio English abandons MW plans, retains shortwave --- In a last minute decision Polish Radio External Service in English has abandoned its plans to use 1296 for the B11 season and retained shortwave with a single frequency of 3955 at 1800-1900 from Skelton 250 kW. First item in this weeks Multitouch: http://www.thenews.pl/Podcast/342a95ca-c4a1-4eeb-b70e-dde1290b67f6

The HFCC B-11 schedule shows this frequency together with 5895 from Kvitsoy, presumably a planned DRM transmission (Mike Barraclough, England, Oct 27, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Polish Radio to use 3955 kHz for English from Sunday

Some good news from Polish Radio External service. Instead of using

medium wave 1296 kHz for Orfordness for the B11 schedule starting on Sunday, Polish Radio will be staying on shortwave after all. The English service will be on 3955 kHz at 1800-1900 UT from Skelton with 250 kW.

The above was revealed in this week's edition of Polish Radio's "Multitouch" media programme. For some reason yesterday evening's English broadcast (1700-1800 on 9770 kHz) failed to carry "Multitouch" as scheduled, but the programme is now available online, see: http://www.thenews.pl/1/6/Artykul/57501,SW-to-stay-throughout-B11

(1296 was frankly a bizarre choice of frequency for the English service as it would not have been audible to most of the audience in the UK and Ireland, whereas 3955 from Skelton should provide excellent reception.) (Dave Kenny, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

This PRW broadcast will be followed by Radio Taiwan International service in German language via very same tx, frequency and antenna angle at 19-20 UT. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RIP Polish Radio External Service, at least for most of us. According to their website http://www.thenews.pl the ONLY SHORTWAVE transmission for B11 is on 3955 kHz from 1800-1900 via Sitkunai, Lithuania. This is sad as I was a semi-regular listener to their programs having grown to like them when the CBC's Overnight Service used to carry them at 4:30 AM (local). ñ (Mark Coady, Editor, Your Reports, Listening In, Ontario DX Association, Oct 31, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

It's via Skelton Mark, 250 kW at 106 degrees. Excellent signal here last night (Mike Barraclough, ibid.)

Mike, I was quoting the new HFCC. I guess a lot more countries are taking Cuba's lead and not adhering to it for even a little bit. (Mark Coady, ibid.)

That's not fair to PRES --- last minute changes are one thing --- at least they notify them. Cuba simply refuses to participate at all; it's not a question of ``adhering`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Mark, Entry I have is: 3955 1800 1900 27S,28W,37N SKN 250 106 -4 340 1234567 301011 250312 D 3972 English G PRW BAB 16279

Sitkunai was on there during A-11. Polish Radio English service announced a late switch from mediumwave Orfordness to shortwave Skelton last week (Mike Barraclough, CumbreDX via DXLD)

Ouch - they snuck that in on us, didn't they. For those with access to live web streaming, the following times are shown for the English language service:

0430-0530 UT 0800-0900 UT

1300-1400 UT

1800-1900 UT

It's a shame there isn't enough interest in SW to fund a transmitter that could serve North America with the WRN North American Service 24/7. Polish Radio in English airs on WRN North America from 1645 to 1745 and from 2000 to 2030 UT (at least this week; may be one hour later [UT] as of the end of DST here). (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** PORTUGAL. Adeus, DW Sines. --- The following material gives us a quick retrospective of the $R \cdot dio$ Trans-Europa, later Pro-Funk, the company that managed the DW relay at Sines:

http://www.dw-world.de/popups/popup_single_mediaplayer/ 0,,15466549_type_audio_struct_12273_contentId_6636099,00.html http://www.dw-world.de/dw/article/0,,6636099,00.html Courtesy of DW technician Carlos Mourato, CT4RK, Sines. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) in Portuguese

** PORTUGAL. 11995, Last RDP Lisbon broadcast via Sines shortwave site in DRM mode ended at 1000:02 TX cut off. S=9+5dBm signal here in Stuttgart, in So-We Germany. 73 wb (Wolfgang B_sschel, Oct 29, 2011, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: Last Sines Transmissions --- All these schedule applications at the DW website refer to full UT days, so I would not take them as an indication for the time of the real closure.

What has been announced in the German program is that it will happen "with the end of summer time". That would be 0100 UT. So it would not hurt to check the listed frequencies at least until then.

If there is a doubt if Sines is still on air, as I read various postings here: Yes, it is, heard on 21840 with very strong signal (much better than the measly 6075) until cut off at exactly 1259:59.

And let's check back, now 17840 is supposed to be on air: Indeed it is, at 1429 tune in with Smalltown Boy by Jimmy Somerville, how appropriate: Run away, turn away...

Clearly Sines, as their typical audio processing indicates. Having something completely wrong on air? No, after two minutes the song is

So no farewell loop but SBG coverage right now. Explains why the EPG on the Hotbird signal had no entries after 1300, making us in another round wonder if the end will already come by then. So both EPG and program info on the DW website just can't be trusted (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RDPi + DW: no more secrets. In some report of mine about the Sines relay, I mentioned there was one particular detail I was asked not to disclose. Now, I can even add something else about the station.

Revealing this has nothing to do with the station closure; the details were simply made public in the latest RTP program "Em nome do ouvinte", hosted by the station ombusdman for radio. I listened to part of it yesterday.

The story then: many months ago, the RTP established a contact with DW so as to merge their HF services, and use Sines instead of S"o Gabriel. Why? The new Lisbon airport would be built in a military ground called Campo de Tiro de Alcochete, very close to S. Gabriel. The possibility was quickly abandoned for DW let them know their relay here was due to close.

Without wishing to speculate, I estimated the Pro-Funk-managed relay station would most likely be enlarged, surely not only in terms of more aerials but also transmitters, and the "new" station would perhaps become a joint venture between the RTP & DW.

The future alone will tell us whether those plans between RTP and the new owner of the Sines station - if there is one interested in using it of course - will be dust cleaned and put into practice some day. I think the next challenge now is to find out about the fate of the site.

Finally, the other little "secret" about Sines is that adding MW was also considered a few years ago. The plan seems to have been dropped because of costs. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non] Reminds me of initial plans at the launch of Radio Sawa for a mediumwave transmitter in Morocco, which never materialized either for whatever reason. Politics could hardly have been a problem here, considering the extensive FM network of Radio Sawa in Morocco.

And this reminds also of the Malta station which, as well known, had a 600 kW transmitter on 1557 kHz. What is not so widely known is that at

some point one of its three antenna masts collapsed, so 1557 had been operated in whatever kind of other configuration with the remaining two masts (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. PREDNESTROVIE [sic]. Plan. Radio of Moldavia 30-Oct-2011 - 24-Mar-2012

kHz / kW / UTC / Transmitter, Latitude/ Longitude / Beam / CIRAF 7440 / 300 / 1700-1800 / Kichinev, 47N00/028E30 / 268 / 27,37 6015 / 200 / 2100-2300 / Kichinev, 47N00/028E30 / 265 / 27,28,37 (HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD) Not really: (gh)

R. PMR, Tiraspol, Pridnestrovye/Moldova has a S9+50dB signal at the moment (19.40 UT) on 7290 kHz in German here in Copenhagen. No sign of IRRS on the freq. 73, (Erik Koie, Denmark, Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

MOLDOVA [Transnistria - Pridnestrovian Moldavian Republic] 7290, PRM Radio Pridnestrovie from Grigoriopol Maiac relay site in German on 7290 kHz 1930-2000 UT. SIO 444, word program 1930-1950 UT, then music program. Schedule MON-FRI German 1730, 1930, and 2130 UT. Return postage IRC's requested! (Paul Gager-AUT, in A-DX Nov 1 via B_sschel, dxldyg via DXLD)

7290, Nov 1 at 2256, song in Russian(?) with good signal, believed to be Radio PMR ex-9665 filling its final segment, as then at 2300 accurate timesignal, VOR WS opening in English which now fancies itself as a ``Chariot of Fire``, rather than an art exhibition, claims ``24/7 to the whole world on AM, digital radio``, but no mention of shortwave! Still going at 0018 Nov 2 check; seems not using 6240 this season. VOR English also then on 7250, `Armavir`, and this winter that`s not colliding with Iran!

As recently as Oct 28, HFCC showed pertinent 7290s only as: 1800-2000 VOR via Moscow, 250 kW, 285 degrees 2300-0500 VOR via KCH, MDA, 300 kW, 310 degrees

While ``MDA MOL GFC`` presumably referring to Radio PMR is registered only from KCH:

7440, 1700-1800, 300 kW, 268 degrees 6015, 2100-2300, 200 kW, 265 degrees

By the time I tuned to 6015 there was only RRI IS before its 2300 broadcast via Galbeni, and others have reported PMR earlier on 7290 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio PMR on 7290 at 1754. A very good signal, with no interference or fading, and songs in Russian. At 1800 broadcast in Russian. Nothing heard here on 7440 at 1753 or 1830. English broadcast heard starting on 7290 at 1830 with still very good signal. Presumably the 2230

English broadcast will be Sunday to Thursday. The Radio PMR website http://radiopmr.org/about/27/Cetka-veshhaniya shows this schedule:

7290 kHz 500 kW 1700ñ2300 Monday-Friday, Russian English French German

1800, 2000, 2200 Russian

1830, 2030, 2230 English

1700, 1900, 2100 French

1730, 1930, 2130 German

1715, 1745, 1845, 1915, 1945, 2045, 2115, 21,45, 2245 Music (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, Nov 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA [and non]. 15160, Oct 29 at 1411 talk with QRM (jamming?) from 1 kHz tone peaking 15159 and 15161 with BFO. Only scheduled here is RRI in Arabic via Galbeni at 14-15. Maybe it's another of those mystery tests, unheard for several weeks now.

7210, Oct 30 at 0531, collision between a station with soft vocal music and one in Russian. HFCC shows a three-way among VOR via Moscow site, language? Also RRI in Russian, and CRI in Arabic via Albania.

7220, Oct 30 at 0536, RRI also here, in Romanian with ID for RRI and Actualitatsi, which is HS program 1, scheduled 05-06, 300 kW, 285 degrees from Galbeni, also colliding with listed but unheard CRI English via Albania, 150 kW, 140 degrees.

While getting IRRS on new 15190, see ITALY [non], found RRI's own transmissions: Oct 30 at 1343 15460 // stronger 17530 in strangely-accented German reminiscing about WWII, as DW is incapable of doing, having deleted all its German SW broadcasts; at 1345, 17820 RRI in Romanian with equal signal to 17530, // weaker 15170; still at 1410, 1431, very good on 17820.

15280, Oct 30 at 1502, in Arabic plugging WRN, as RRI frequently does for webcasts, ondemand audio. This has strange QRM of noise/whine on both sides, which can be pinpointed with BFO on 15275, 15285. Nothing else is scheduled on any of these now in HFCC. Possibly something to do with V. of Tibet via Tajikistan, which Aoki A-11 had on 15277, 15283 shortly after 1300. Possibly defective Egyptian and Saudi transmitters are also on 15285 at more divergent times.

9435, VG Oct 30 at 2150, RRI with mailbag in English from someone in Czechia, whence few reports arrive. Also on weaker // 7380 at 2154 giving contact info. The former 2030 English broadcast well heard in NAm, is now at 2130, also on 6030, 7310.

17530, Oct 31 at 1309, RRI very good in German with address, also

15460. Both also carry English in previous hour 1200-1256, plus 15430, 17765, but that's before sunrise and higher bands may not open yet here; also will be inconveniently early before 7 am local CST from next week.

15460, Nov 2 at 1255, RRI concluding sports report, sign-off until next English at 1800 in DRM. Good signal here tho intended for no further than W Europe in same direxion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also ITALY [non]

** RUSSIA. GTRK Dalnevostochnaya (at Khabarovsk) verified by PFC QSL in Russian after 54 days for my reception report (about their 153 kHz transmission signing off at 1500 UT) in Russian with 1 IRC. The QSL was stamped and signed. The signature was read as "Ulabkova E.V." Transmission on 153 kHz is over their Komsomolsk site, mainly relaying Radio Rossii, but own station jingle is given at 1500 UT signing off. "Dalnevostochnaya" means "Far East". Their address: ul. Lenina 4, Khabarovsk, 680000 Russia. There seems to be no URL at present (Takahito Akabayashi, Japan, Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. I listened to 6075 at around 0715 UT today the 30th and the German language station [Crazy Wave Radio, pirate: see GERMANY] reported by Jean-Michel was not heard then. Instead - and now without Deutsche Welle on frequency any longer - I heard Russian, which I assume was via Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka that has been reported here for a long time by Glenn and Ron Howard and others. Signal strength was almost fair but with rapid fading, and it lasted until becoming unusable and weak by 0800. I tried to compare programming with 7320 Magadan - good strength but very bad flutter fading - 7230 Yakutsk - fair strength - and 5930 I assume Monchegorsk - good strength but flutter fading, but I wasn't very successful, so it needs to be done again.

Incidentally, if Magadan has shifted to 5940 for winter then I couldn't positively hear it. There was something, but the late Bro. Scott via WWCR 5935 was making reception of 5940 very difficult.

Vatican Radio is sched to have Latin Mass on 6075 from 0630 - if so, that must have concluded when I tuned the frequency as it positively was not audible. Weekdays VAT is sched on 6075 til 0800, so will block Petro-Kam until then. As the sun rises later in the northern hemisphere the Russian station should be audible past 0800 - if the frequency remains clear, that is (Noel R. Green (NW England), Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Magadan was on 5940 all summer, often audible here until 1300* // Pet/Kam 5930 with R. Rossii but not synchronized. And unlike PK which switches to 6075 in B-seasons, Magadan stays on 5940 in winter too.

Checking HFCC A-11 and B-11 we see there is a slight change in the parameters, and BTW, ``Okhotsk`` is another of those imaginary sites: $5940\ 1700\ 1300\ 25,26\ OKH\ 100\ 40\ 0\ 103\ 1234567\ 270311\ 291011\ D\ RUS\ RRS\ GFC\ 6001$

5940 1700 1300 24-26 OKH 100 30 0 103 1234567 301011 240312 D RUS RRS GFC 4828

(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6075, R Rossii, Petropavlovsk-Kamchatka, 0710-0731, Russian surfaced after co-channel Vat R had closed. Too weak & fluttery to tell whether 5930 & 6160 were //, did not hear a definite Rossii ID. At 0902 found this freq blocked by an unid German pirate station on 6075.15 playing Iron Maiden & similar hardrock (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, TenTec RX340, 20 m. longwire, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6075, Oct 31 at 1233, pop music with Russian announcement, from R. Rossii, reactivated B-season frequency ex-5930 in A-season, via Petropavlovsk/Kamchatsky. Due to permanent timezone change (i.e. not going off DST), we expect this to close at 1300* instead of 1400* as in past winters.

Yes, monitoring from 1259, 6-pip timesignal ends 4.5 seconds late after 1300, dead air until carrier off at 1300:39*. No sign of `8GAL` or any other hand-keyed CW V marker as was previously the case on 6074 at 1400. We'll keep checking periodically. Wonder if that will resume/stay at 1400? It was never noticed following 5930 closing (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Winter B-11 schedule of Radio Rossii in Russian: 0400-0700 on 9840 MSK 250 kW / 260 deg to WeEU 0725-1200 on 12075 MSK 250 kW / 260 deg to WeEU 1225-1500 on 7310 MSK 250 kW / 260 deg to WeEU 1525-2100 on 5905*MSK 250 kW / 260 deg to WeEU *strong co-ch 1900-2000 RFI in Russian (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)

And 9840 co-channel 0400-0700 VOR Pet/Kam to WNAm. There are of course many more R.R. broadcasts via regional stations (gh, DXLD)

12075 now, at 1140, a bit weakish here. Seems that 19 or even 16 metres would be a better choice at this time of the day, as it has indeed been done with this transmission before (Kai Ludwig, Germany Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 6075, Radio Rossii Kamchatka/GTRK Kamchatka (ex: 5930), via the Yelizovo transmitter site on the Kamchatka peninsula, 0744-0800, October 31. Heard in progress with their local/regional programming; scheduled 0710 to 0800; this is their seasonal change of frequency, but unlike the past, there was no time change, as earlier this year Russia went to permanent Daylight Saving Time; IDs ìRadio Rossii Kamchatkaî; OM and YL chatting with many mentions of Kamchatka; pop song in English; phone number given for R. Rossii Kamchatka; 0800 time pips and became // 5940 and 7320, both via the transmitters at Arman, west of Magadan; almost good reception; edited MP3 audio http://www.box.net/shared/as2d4q2u61k6hmli47is (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks for this information - Ron. A very nice recording, and if that is only "almost good reception" then I don't know how to describe mine. Almost usable perhaps. 6075 was blocked, as expected, by Vatican R. til 0800, and then I could hear the Russian. I heard one ID for Radio Rossii at about 0810 but I'm not sure what came before then - maybe the news. I >think< it was parallel to Arman/Magadan on 7320, but not completely in sync. VoR's Kaliningrad DRM noise starts at 0800 on 7325 and it isn't easy to squeeze out the 7320 signal then. Still, it would never do to have things made too easy for us! 7230 Yakutsk had different (own?) programming at 0810. I assume that FE Russia has also stayed on summer time too, which could mean some changes to local programming hours if so (Noel R. Green (NW England), ibid.)

** RUSSIA. Plan. RADIO ROSSII 30-Oct-2011 - 24-Mar-2012

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kHz / kW / UTC / Transmitter, Latitude/ Longitude / Beam / CIRAF
 5905 / 250 / 1530ñ2100 / Moskva,
                                           55N45/037E18 / 250 / 27,28
 5930 / 50 / 0100-2100 / Murmansk,
                                           68N58/032E46 / 340 / 19
 5940 / 100 / 1700ñ1300 / Okhotsk,
                                           59N30/143E00 / 30 / 24-26
 6005 / 100 / 1700ñ1900 / Armavir,
                                           45N00/040E49 / 190 / 29
 6075 / 100 / 1700ñ1300 / Petropavlo Kam.,
                                           52N59/158E39 / 15 / 34,35
 6085 / 50 / 2100ñ1700 / Krasnoiarsk,
                                           56N01/092E54 / 350 / 21,22
 6100 / 20 / 2100ñ1700 / Krasnoiarsk,
                                           56N01/092E54 /
                                                            0 / 31,32N
 6150 / 50 / 2000ñ1600 / Iakutsk,
                                           62N01/129E48 / 330 / 23
 6160 / 50 / 0100ñ2100 / Murmansk,
                                           68N58/032E46 / 335 / 19
 6195 / 50 / 2100ñ1700 / Irkutsk,
                                           52N18/104E18 /
                                                            0 / 32,33
 7310 / 250 / 1230ñ1600 / Moskva,
                                           55N45/037E18 / 265 / 27,28
 7320 / 100 / 1700ñ1300 / Okhotsk,
                                           59N30/143E00 / 45 / 24,25
 9410 / 250 / 0600ñ0700 / Samara,
                                           53N20/050E10 / 58 / 30
 9840 / 250 / 0400ñ0700 / Moskva,
                                           55N45/037E18 / 260 /
                                                              27,28,37
 9860 / 250 / 0700ñ0800 / Samara,
                                           53N20/050E10 /
                                                           58 / 30
11610 / 250 / 0800ñ0900 / Samara,
                                           53N20/050E10 / 305 / 29
12075 / 250 / 0730ñ1200 / Moskva,
                                           55N45/037E18 / 260 /
                                                              27,28,37
15105 / 160 / 0400ñ0500 / Samara,
                                           53N20/050E10 / 65 / 32 /
(HFCC B-11 via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD) [BUT SEE BELOW]
                                                              27,28,37
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I edited the various Radio Rossii services, though it's difficult:

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Radio Rossii schedule 30-Oct-2011 - 24-Mar-2012
kHz
     kW
          UTC
                                       location
                                                   azi CIRAF zones
                    ΤX
 5905 250 1530-2100 Moskva
                                       56N04 037E57 250 27,28
 5930 50 0100-2100 Murmansk
                                       69N01 032E56 340 19
5940 100 1700-1300 Okhotsk#
                                       59N42 150F10 30 24-26
6005 100 1700-1900 Armavir
                                       45N28 040E06 190 29
Not real Radio Rossii Russian Program, rather Maykop/Nalchik program
for Circassians/Cherkess displaced in Caucasus, to Republic of Adygea
- Maykop, and also to Turkey and Near East/Levant countries. In summer
season on 7325 kHz instead.
6075 100 1700-1300 Petropavlovsk Kam. 53N11 158E24 15 34,35
      50 2100-1700 Krasnoiarsk%
                                       56N02 092E45 350 21,22
 6085
 6100 20 2100-1700 Krasnoiarsk%
                                       56N02 092E45
                                                      0 31,32N
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6150 50 2000-1600 Iakutsk
                                       62N14 129E49 330 23
6160 50 0100-2100 Murmansk $
                                       69N01 032E56 335 19
6195 50 2100-1700 Irkutsk ß
                                      52N25 103E40
                                                     0 32,33
7310 250 1230-1600 Moskva
                                      56N04 037E57 265 27,28
                                      59N30 143E00 45 24,25
7320 100 1700-1300 Okhotsk#
9410 250 0600-0700 Samara*
                                      53N16 050E14 58 30
                                      56N04 037E57 260 27,28,37
9840 250 0400-0700 Moskva
9860 250 0700-0800 Samara*
                                      53N16 050E14 58 30
11610 250 0800-0900 Samara*
                                       53N16 050E14 305 29
12075 250 0730-1200 Moskva
                                       56N04 037E57 260 27,28,37
15105 160 0400-0500 Samara*
                                       53N16 050E14 65 32,27,28,37
(HFCC B-11, via RUSdx Oct 30; updated locations by wb.)
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* probably R Tatarstan Kazan relay via Samara-RUS.

# rather Magadan Arman Radujnyi 59 42 28.00 N 150 10 30.00 E

% rather Kyzyl Tuva site 51 41 16.09 N 094 36 09.77 E

$ rather Archangelsk Koskovo site 64 21 18.00 N 041 23 55.00 E

ß rather Selenginsk Buryatia site 52 02 30.09 N 106 56 35.28 E

(Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 30 via DXLD)
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** RUSSIA. 7320, Nov 2 at 0600, timesignal about 7 seconds late from R. Rossii ID, poor signal with hum. HFCC B-11 shows this as `OKH`, really meaning Magadan, not Okhotsk, at 17-13, 100 kW, 45 degrees. Also still listed on 5940 at same hours, 100 kW, 30 degrees, which I have not reconfirmed in B-11 tho it was surely there until 1300 in A-11. So they are really running both? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also PRIDNESTROVYE

** RUSSIA. 8088 kHz, Radio Rossii 2040 UT --- mixing product // 171 kHz. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, Oct 29, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Radio Rossii Moscow {?Lesnoy?} 7215 kHz + MW 873 kHz = 8088 kHz.

Boel List: 873 kHz - Radio Rossii, various (75-250 kW), 0100-2100; txs in Olgino (75), Lesnoy (250 kW), and Mehzavod (100 kW); via Olgino also regional programmes 73 (Wolfy B.schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tnx. I think it was gone after 2100 UT. 73 (Harald Kuhl, ibid.)

This transmitter intermodulation product of SW+MW frequency signals occured in A-11 summer schedule at - probably - Moscow Lesnoy Russia site. In B-11 season from today, Radio Rossii Moscow relay replaced now on 5905 kHz instead:

5905 1530-2100 27,28 MSK 250 kW 250 degr

So, maybe same IM excitation will occur also on SW 49mb antenna + MW 873 mast ??? Formula 5905 + 873 kHz = 6778 kHz. 73 wb df5sx (B_sschel, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. 15510, Oct 27 at 1254, mostly hum and flutter, then classical fanfare (Handel?), more JBM music, 1257 more audible classical music bits, just filling time? 1300 brief announcement and ``Chariots of Fire`` theme, still heavy flutter. Aoki & HFCC show this as VOR Pashto/Dari service at 12-14, 250 kW, 140 degrees from Samara; a regular here, but not for long, going elsewhere in B-11 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7250, Voice of Russia 0211 English, a religious discussion about the concept of justice in Iran. VOR was well heard on their new B-11 frequencies. 7250 via Armavir, good; 7290 via Moldova, good; 12030 & 13665 via Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, very good; 13735 also via Pet-Kam., fair due to hum. 10/30/11 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, B.C., Listening from my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna. Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7260, Oct 30 at 2152 YL in Spanish on AM with hum, ACI from ham 7265-LSB. HFCC shows VOR via Armavir at 21-23.

9840, it must be B-11, since R. Rossii is again colliding with VOR English to NAm, as in several previous B-seasons, Oct 30 at 0521. I am hearing Russian, English and mix with classical music from one of them. Current HFCC shows total collision daily at 04-07: 9840 0400 0700 27,28,37 MSK 250 260 301011 240312 D RUS RRS GFC 5050 9840 0400 0700 1,2,6 P.K 250 70 301011 240312 D RUS VOR GFC 5051 Yeah, right, one is for Europe and the other for WNAm, so no problem, right? Not if you are in C or E NAm. Russkies vs Russkies! see also GERMANY [non] on 9855

[and non]. 9840, Nov 1 at 0514, VOR in English to WNAm via Pet/Kam, is well atop collision with R. Rossii via Moskva; you never know from one night to the next which region propagation will favor --- last night they were about equal, unusable. // 12030 VOR in the clear altho somewhat weaker, also 70 degrees from P.K. Meanwhile the // 9855 via Vladivostok was useless under DW/RWANDA collision, as I also reported previously. Awful QRM to all of 31m from totally out of whack REE 9630; see COSTA RICA (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

While looking for DW on 12070 I noted how sideband splash set in shortly before 1800, and it turned out to be this 12060, playing the new VOR English top of hour interlude with boomy modulation. Very strong. HFCC says "SRP", tsk, this old fake site from the days of Leonid Brezhnev keeps popping up like a zombie. // 7330 is listed as "MSK" with 240 kW, tsk, an even older zombie from decades ago when transmitters rated at 120 kW and their operation in pairs where common at USSR sites. In reality both appear to go out via the same "Moscow" sites, but one can only guess which one.

For German the new time model in Russia brought a comparatively big change: They still broadcast it at the same Moscow time, which means it is now an hour earlier in the target area. For the 0900-1000 hour again 9720 from Bolshakovo is supposed to be used as replacement for the apparently closed Krasne plant in the Ukraine. If so it would mean that again an analogue shortwave transmission goes out from Bolshakovo after the equipment has during A11 and perhaps also before been used for DRM only.

In the evening German is shown for 7220 from Samara 1500-1700 and 7310 from one of the Moscow sites after 1700, and so it indeed happens, with pretty good reception of both frequencies here (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And indeed 9720 is, noted today after 0900 with good signal but suffering from a bad buzz. It seemed to vary with the fading, so I'm not sure if it was the transmitter itself, but I think so (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 31, ibid.)

V of Russia English service to S E Asia and Pacific

RUSSIA/KYRGHYZ REP, 17805 and 21805 kHz surprisingly strong signals

into EUR at 0700-0800 UT slot Oct 31. Both have a little distorted audio feed quality. 17805 from Irkutsk 250 kW unit registered 06-11 UT, S=8 signal here in western Europe.

21805 from Novosibirsk site scheduled at 06-10 UT. At 0735 UT discussion between female and two males about Sharia culture in muslim world of North Africa and in particular in Libya. S=9+10dBm, but also little distorted audio feed quality noted today.

7210.750, Again noted in this winter season as in previous B-10, Voice of Russia in Spanish uses this odd frequency offset, noted at 0120 UT Oct 31, on S=9+25dBm level here in western Europe. Registered Moscow Lesnoy 500 kW unit at 265 degrees towards Central and Northern South America. 0000-0600 UT registration entry in HFCC list.

At same time around 0045-0115 UT Oct 31 noted Radio Rossii via Bishkek Kyrghyz Republic with S=8 level on 4050.079 kHz (Wolfgang Buschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31, via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [non]. V of Russia in Brazilian Portuguese on 1323 via GERMANY --- Last evening (30 Oct), around 2250, I was observing 1323 kHz looking for small stations (it would be my 199th LF/MF log this month), and found something that I think is a feed error, but was unable to find the respective B11 so as to check, and http://portuguese.ruvr.ru/ which correct a few mistakes in both spelling and other aspects of the language, says nothing about their HF fqs:

"Voz da R'ssia" in Braz. Portuguese, s/off announcements, say, a few minutes prior to 2300 followed by some silence, then the IS, frequency ann. again (11605, 9865, 9750 in this order), then abruptly off at 2301; 34443, QRM de G [= UK?]

Surely, this 2200-2300 on MW meant for a Brazilian audience is a mistake. Could anyone, please, confirm their B11? 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL. Oct 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I suspect this is the result of confusion after the timezone changes in Russia. Portuguese to Brazil used to be broadcast at 2 AM in Moscow, and apparently they still broadcast it at 2 AM but did not realize that they would have to adjust the transmission schedule likewise.

Scenario: They believe they are on air 2300-2400 on 9750, 9865 and 11605, but at 2 AM in Moscow it is now 2200 UT. 11605 is listed as MontsinÈry, and it could be that they use as one step in the distribution chain the satellite channel that otherwise feeds the Wachenbrunn transmitter. In the 2200-2300 hour it is still on, so this

Portuguese broadcast goes out on 1323, and probably on 1323 only.

So it's worth to check out the given shortwave frequencies between 2200 and 2400 as well. And what about Portuguese to Europe that used to precede the transmission to Brazil? Do they now play it out 2100-2200, perhaps into nowhere?? (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

Kai, I've heard VoR on 6090 in Portuguese at 2158 yesterday (30/10) Regards (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, ibid.)

Kai, Jean-Michel, I also suspect there has been some mistake, but for me the main issue here is the use of MF to BRASIL (!) when it even makes little sense using it to us here in PORTUGAL, but that broadcast in particular was clearly aimed at a Brazilian audience. The service to POR normally has Russian speakers, who speak better Portuguese.

The ex-1386 via the Kaliningrad enclave would suit their purpose a lot better: typically strong, no immediate source of QRM, but that's history, and the current one is that Euskadi Irratia in SPAIN moved to 1386 and is like a local station here, just like on // 1476 for instance.

QSYs aside, I don't know how stations in E, and in GRC, still manage to keep such a huge quantity of txs, not to mention the power levels involved. I shall try not to forget to observe them again this evening. 73, (Carlos, Oct 31, ibid.)

V of Russia extended Portuguese to Portugal and western Europe ?

SWITCH OFF tonight at 2304:10 UT Oct 31. At present Oct 31 at 2250 UT I listen to typical Brazilian Portuguese accented male announcer of Voice of Russia Moscu and symphonic music. Also program relay via Wachenbrunn Germany extend til 2304:10 UT, four minutes in the "2nd broadcast hour" para Brasil.

I don't know the contract between Russia and German ex DTK now Deutsche Funkturm GmbH / Media&Broadcast or something like that transmission organisation, about "daily broadcast hours" provided for Voice of Russia.

In A-11 only 16 hrs bcast via Wachenbrunn relay: 1323 0500-0800 English Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 0800-0900 English Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 0900-1000 German Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 1000-1200 German Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 1200-1300 Russian WS Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 1300-1400 Russian WS Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR 1323 1500-1600 German Wachenbrunn-GER 1000 EUR

1323	1600-1700	German		Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR
1323	1700-1800	German		Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR
1323	1800-1900	German		Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR
1323	1900-2000	French		Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR
1323	2000-2100	French		Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR
1323	2100-2200	Russian	WS	Wachenbrunn-GER	1000	EUR

In B-11 I count 14 broadcast hours daily at Wachenbrunn relay til 2100 UT schedule stop. There is a transmission break between 12 and 15 UT.

So, I guess for the BENEFIT of Voice of Russia and their Portuguese listener community in Portugal and mostly also in France Switzerland and Germany as guest workers, the 16 hours limit is fulfilled by extended broadcast hours at 2100 til 2300 UT.

VOR could also put the ENGLISH program INSTEAD on air; there would be a lot of listeners in England and in various west European cities. Excellent strong signal in Netherlands and England.

Voice of Russia schedule B-11 schedule 2100-2200 UT English 1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR 7300 English Moscow 250 EUR

Portuguese

5940 Samara 250 EUR

6090 Armavir Tbilisskaya 200 EUR

6120 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 120 EUR

2200-2300 UT

Arabic

648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS

1377 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS

English

1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR

7250 Armavir Tbilisskaya 500 NoAM

7250 Armavir Tbilisskaya 500 EUR

7250 Armavir Tbilisskaya 500 CeAM

11830 Petr.-Kamchatsky 250 NoAM

Portuguese

11605 Montsinery-GUF 250 SoAM << in parallel via French Guiana.

2300-2400 English 7250 Armavir Tbilisskaya 500 NoAM 7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 NoAM 7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 CeAM

Portuguese 9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM 9865 Samara 250 SoAM 11605 Montsinery-GUF 250 SoAM

73 wolfy (Wolfgang B schel, ibid.)

Wolfgang, Kai, I started my yesterday's evening recording right after that classical music piece ended; it did seem the tx went off for just a brief moment, exactly like on the previous day, when reception was somewhat better.

Frankly, I would estimate their audience both here and elsewhere in Europe to be very reduced, and imagine the scene won't be much different down there in Brazil.

It is still pretty much evident, that countries such as RUSSIA have little or no problems with electricity production and certain other operational costs, but surely all this is reflected elsewhere. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, Nov 1, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. Vesti FM, 3995 kHz at 1605 UT on Oct 26. DRM Modus Programm wohl aus Krasnodar mit Label "Vesti FM" um 1605 UT auf 3995 kHz. Bei SNR-Spitzen von 11dB allerdings nur sporadische Audioschnipsel (Patrick Robic, Austria, Oct 26, A-DX Oct 27 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Frequency on the railroad.

Train frequency 2130 kHz. But if you listen to the technique, which has a mode of NFM. And DEGEN in the AM on a flat frequency 2130 kHz takes is not legible, it must be built, about 2-3 kHzÖ. By the way this is not only the frequency of the second channel 2150 kHz, is used only to large RAILWAY junctions, for example Yasinovataya, Donetsk region is the largest in Europe sort! And in Penza, heard I - use and does three things ñ 2130, 2150 and 2170 kHz. He himself was never there, never heard of, but I have such information (Eugene, Minsk, Belarus /"from deneb-radio-dx", via RusDX 30 Oct via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 9996, Nov 1 at 1309, RWM CW IDs beating against WWV/H 10000, 1310 resuming time pips. IDs happen at :09 and :39 past the hours from the Moscow station (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA. Log: Radio Rwanda 25740 --- DRM, 11.56 kbps EEP aac Mono, somewhat muffled audio, audio from 9 dB SNR, 1450 UT, in Rwandaise. -- 73, (Nils DK80K, Schiffhauer, Germany, Oct 28, Excalibur, SDR-IP/GPS, Perseus, W-Code, 2 x 20 m active quad loop (90), 42 m windom,

- DX-One prof, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- Not in HFCC, but http://www.drm-dx.de/ shows 25740 as 80 watts, nondirexional, 24 hours in various languages (gh, DXLD)
- ** SARAWAK [non]. 17560, R. Free Sarawak via Yangi Yul (Tajikistan). 1152-1200*, Oct 27. I have been checking here nearly every day with nothing heard, not even an open carrier; so I was surprised to actually hear audio, alas with a weak signal; in vernacular; 1153 pop song; 1158 clear mention of iw-w-wî and iSarawakî, along with frequency.
- 17560, R. Free Sarawak via Yangi Yul (Tajikistan). 1150, Oct 28. Unable to hear even an open carrier today, unlike yesterdayís positive reception. Propagation varies greatly on a daily basis (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** SAUDI ARABIA. 21504.978, BSKSA Riyadh, HQ prayer sung at 1210 UT Oct 23. S=9+20dBm here in Germany.
- 15224.978, BSKSA Riyad, HQ prayer at 1511 UT Oct 23, S=9+20dBm here in western Europe. Later at 1528 UT noted same program on 15434.982 kHz, latter with scratching/crackling feeder line sound (Wolfgang B $_{\rm s}$ schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)
- 21670, BSKSA, 0914, presumed in passing with Qur`an recitations. Very good on peaks. 26 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 15285, Oct 31 at 0529, distorted music and talk, surely Cairo? No, this time it`s BSKSA Riyadh, Swahili service scheduled 0400-0700, 500 kW, 190 degrees.
- 15170, Oct 31 at 0532, Qur`an now with good signal from BSKSA, scheduled 03-06, 500 kW, 355 degrees from Riyadh targeting CIRAF 19-23, 29-31 and 40, which means not only western Russia where it`s really aimed but also the neighboring CIS, all across northern tier of Russia thru most of Siberia, and excepting the southeastern portion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** SERBIA [non]. 9685, UT Sunday Oct 30 at 0030, VG signal in Serbian, as IRS via BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA is still running on A-11 schedule. Then it moves the NAm broadcasts to 6190 on this schedule:
- 0100-0130 SERBIAN (Except Sunday) 7e,8 27 ECNAm/WEu 6190 250 0130-0200 ENGLISH (Except Sun and Mon) 7e,8 27 ECNAm/WEu 6190 250

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0100-0200 SERBIAN (spec.) (Sunday only) 7e,8 27 ECNAm/WEu 6190 250 0130-0230 SERBIAN (spec.) (Monday only) 7e,8 27 ECNAm/WEu 6190 250 0200-0230 SERBIAN (spec.) (Tue-Sat) 7e,8 27 ECNAm/WEu 6190 250
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From

http://glassrbije.org/E/index.php?
option=com_content&task=blogcategory&id=21&Itemid=34
via Peter Hansen, Bethpage NY, Oct 26, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1588.
You won't find it in HFCC, where IRS still refuses to participate.
Look for English to appear also at 0200 sometimes, as it did
unscheduled at 0100 in A-11 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA. AUDIOCLIP: SERVIZIO RADIOTELEFONICO DELLA SOMALIA

Ho ritrovato una interessante clip audio che avevo registrato negli anni '70 con l'identificazione multilingue, tra cui l'italiano, del servizio radioteefonico dell'allore Repubblica Democratica Somala. Gli interessati posso ascoltarlo sul seguente link: http://blog.libero.it/radioascolto/10763087.html 73's (Francesco Cecconi, playdx yg via DXLD) WTFK?

** SOUTH AFRICA. 729 kHz transmitter is back on air from Cape Town, South Africa in parallel to 657 in Johannesburg IDí as 1657 AMî. 1430z ID in English and Afrikaans as ìRadio Pulpitî (John Plimmer, Montagu, Cape Province, South Africa, Oct 25, mwdx yg via DXLD)

RSA stations are really into maintaining their `brand` frequency no matter what frequency they are really on (gh, DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. Channel Africa B-11 http://www.channelafrica.co.za should be Monday to Friday, I presume

EFFECTIVE FROM 30 OCTOBER 2011 TO 24 MARCH 2012

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Time UTC Time SA Freq kHz Metre Band Target Area Language
0300-0355 0500-0555 6120 49 East & Central Africa English
0300-0359 0500-0659 3345 90 Southern Africa
                                                   English
0400-0659 0700-0959 7230 41 Southern Africa
                                                   English
0600-0655 0800-0855 15255 19 Far West Africa
                                                   English
0800-1200 1000-1400 9625 31 Southern Africa
                                                   English
1200-1300 1400-1500 9625 31 Southern Africa
                                                   Chinyanja
1300-1400 1500-1600 9625 31 Southern Africa
                                                   Silozi
1400-1500 1600-1700 9625 31 Southern Africa
                                                   Portuguese
1500-1559 1700-1759 9625 31 Southern Africa
                                                   English
1500-1555 1700-1755 17770 16 East & Central
                                                   Swahili
1600-1655 1800-1855 15235 19 West Africa
                                                   French
1700-1755 1900-1955 15235 19 West Africa
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(via JM Aubier, France, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. Radio Sonder Grense, 9650 Meyerton. Oct 30, 2011, Sunday. 0722-0727 Afrikaans, OM with monologue. Good. Jo'burg sunrise 0321. Later, from 1055-1115, Afrikaans. The end of Beethoven's 7th?? symphony, then into a Peugeot advert. Time pips at 1100, 3 seconds early according to my computer clock (synchronised yesterday at 1616 with http://www.time.windows.com Good. Jo'burg sunrise 0321.

Radio Sonder Grense, Oct 30, 2011, Sunday. 1105-1115. On 9675 and 9625, horrible spurs 25 kHz (5 channels) up and down from 9650 fundamental. Received on Drake R8 and Hallicrafters SX122. According to HFCC B11 Channel Africa is supposed to use 9625 on weekdays from 0700 to 1200; will there be a problem tomorrow (Monday)?? Jo'burg sunset 1624.

Radio Sonder Grense, 9650 Meyerton. Nov 02, 2011, Wednesday. 0835-0842. Afrikaans. Neil Diamond record, then advert for a business in Randfontein (on J'burg's West Rand). Other ads followed, including an invitation to contact one company at "3 rands per SMS" (the rand is the local currency). Jo'burg sunrise 0319.

Channel Africa, 9625 Meyerton. Oct 31, 2011, Monday. 0712-0810. African choir singing about Africans, then YL interviews OM about SA's response to other Africans and other liberation movements, and what individuals need to do for success and progress in life. Programme ended at 0720, into (presumably) its theme music. Time check "Nine twenty Central African Time" then into international financial news. South Africa is apparently on the brink of an economic crisis; that's the first time I've heard the ANC admit what most other Joe Soap's have known for ages.

At 0725 "Change the Tune", about gender and gender-based violence, a programme produced by various civil society groups in association with "Channel Africa" (I'll take that as an ID). Later, at 0807, a proper ID, "Channel Africa, the Voice of the African Renaissance" (an Mbeki'ism) and then "Broadcasting from Aukland Park in Johannesburg". At a later check, 1331, found them still here, but in Lozi language, still with good signal. The upper spur from Sonder Grense is very weak on 9675 today (much weaker than yesterday), so Channel Africa must be squashing the lower one on 9625 into the background. Good reception of Channel Africa today. Jo'burg sunrise 0320.

Channel Africa, 9625 Meyerton. Nov 02, 2011, Wednesday. 0827-0835. Financial news, then at 0830 "Rhythms from Africa", featuring a South African musician. Good. Jo'burg sunrise 0319. Later, 1216-1226, Nyanja, OM's talking about African current affairs, mentioned "Mozambique", "Maputo International Airport", "South Africa". Fair, to

Southern and Central Africa. Malawi and Zambia are the prime targets for the Nyanja language. Jo'burg sunset 1626 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA [non]. 1Africa website shows schedule for October to March as:

0600-2000 17695

2000-2200 13590

1700-2200 4965

(Times shown on website in CAT and converted to UT above). These will all be via Zambia (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, Nov 1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Note new higher daytime channel

** SPAIN [and non]. 15585, Sunday Oct 30 at 1340, `Amigos de la Onda Corta`, REE`s media if not DX program is in progress giving mailing address on poor signal; a bit later on much better // 17595, and also 21610 with monthly propagation forecast. So the show has again shifted one UT hour later for B-season to 1332 Sundays, despite conflict with RHC`s Spanish DX program, `En Contacto` which has stayed at 1335 (really starting at 1337 this week) on 15120 and several other RHC frequencies. I also heard AdlOC UT Saturday around 0520 on REE frequencies, but that was in A-11 before time and frequency changes, and it may not necessarily be at 0605 henceforth unless confirmed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Exterior de Espaòa --- Esquema B11 Formato PDF:

http://programasdx.com/principal_archivos/frecuenciasreeb11.pdf
Formato Texto:

http://programasdx.com/principal_archivos/frecuenciasreeb11.doc (JosÈ Bueno, CÛrdoba, EspaÒa, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

It certainly differs from the HFCC edition:

http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbybrc.php?seas=B11&broadc=REE which a.o. errors still includes German (closed years back) and English at a wrong time. So I trust REE's version! 73, (Erik Koie, Copenhagen, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15170, Monday Oct 31 at 1302, REE Cariari, COSTA RICA relay has resumed B-frequency, ex-11880 in A, very good signal, but never on Sundays, I think, despite excessive HFCC registration as daily 1100-2200!

21610, Monday Oct 31 at 1345, REE is in Basque, so that M-F Euskera diversion has shifted one UT hour later to 1330v on all the Castilian frequencies running at that time.

15385, Monday Oct 31 at 1439, REE with Sephardic music, S9+18 but bad

IADs (intermittent audio dropouts --- with 9525 Indonesia missing, someone has to keep up the tradition), 1440 into interview by usual YL hostess; longpath echo also mars. So this stays at same 1425-1455 time and frequency as in A-11.

The REE B-11 schedule via

http://programasdx.com/principal_archivos/frecuenciasreeb11.pdf shows the two repeats now as Tuesday 0115-0145 on 11780 to SAm, and Tuesday 0415-0445 on 9690 to NAm. O, no, not 11780 again, to collide with Brasìlia! In A they sensibly used clear 11795 instead, but old habits die very, very hard. To be confirmed. Tho official-looking, this sked version is not, and previously has been caught with errors. For example it *still* shows M-F 2340-2355 news in Catalan, Galician and Basque, altho Basque was removed years ago when it got its own longer slot at 1230/1330.

Tho `Amigos de la Onda Corta` and Basque have moved one UT hour later, due to irrelevant timeshifts inside Spain, the quadrilingual newscast has not. That had been at 1430-1445 on weekdays, so I was expecting it now at 1530 Oct 31, but instead 17595 and 21610, which has grown to a very good signal, are introducing an astronomy show in Castilian! So when, if ever are the French/English/Portuguese/Arabic (but never Russian) news headlines? REE never bothered to include these bits in its published transmission schedules.

9675, Nov 3 at 0544, REE via COSTA RICA is still here instead of 9630 and not splattering over the whole band either. This version of the schedule

http://programasdx.com/principal_archivos/frecuenciasreeb11.pdf show 9675 is now the preferred frequency at 02-06, 340 degrees to NAm on AM, while 9630 remains for the 00-02 relay in DRM (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

COSTA RICA transmitter ruining 31m: q.v. Wolfgang B_sschel has been complaining about a similar problem from Noblejas, which fortunately I have not noted over here:

``15585: heavy spurious signals from Noblejas spread over the 19 mb in range 15363 to 15750 kHz at 1545 UT when checked Greece 15.6+ MHz. This TX fault in Spain lasts now 3 months in duration. Spanish DXer help, please phone contact manager FERNANDO HERNAN-PEREZ on REE bc house! <plan_red.rne@rtve.es> 73 Wolfgang``

21610, Nov 1 at 1532 rechecking for quadrilingual REE news headlines when they ought to appear after timeshift, but also today Tuesday it's something else: 'Paisajes y Sabores'. I keep forgetting to check at 1430, their old and possibly remaining time, but could be anywhen or nowhen now.

15170, reactivated CR relay of REE, ex-11880, once again has collision from Romania, Nov 2 at 1312. Like I said, old habits die hard; this has happened winter after winter. RRI is on 15170 at 13-15 in Romanian to France. See also COSTA RICA.

Still trying to find the quadrilingual news headlines, including English, which started on REE last winter at 1530-1545 M-F, shifted to 1430-1445 during DST, but not now back at 1530. Wanted to make sure it's not still at 1430, but when I heard the hour-long 'Espaòoles en la Mar' opening with Morse code message at 1406 on 17595, I knew it could not be at 1430 either. At that time after a music break, item about underwater volcanic eruption in the Canaries (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 7189.74, Sri Lanka BC, 1214-1216*, Oct 28. Yet another instance of unusual propagation; normally I hear this hovering about threshold level (some faint audio), whereas today had almost fair reception; in vernacular; off with National Anthem. MP3 audio at http://www.box.net/shared/9uveuddujy02ncncy4bc (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Etûn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11955, 15120 kHz. Full data QSL for reception on April 2, 1977 in 49 days -- after a report and mp3 file to Victor Goonetilleke who took it to SLBC.

Victor had mentioned on the Facebook group, "India Cooperation DXing Forum" that he's happy to help get reports to the SLBC verified and I took him up on the offer. He really liked my mp3 of the long-dufunct SLBC European Service. Total time between reception & QSL: 34 years, 6 months and 17 days. Hard to believe I was 16 years old at reception time and am 51 now. Where do the years go?! (Richard McVicar-NY-USA, AB2FN, DXplorer Oct 22 via BC-DX Oct 27 via DXLD) Look at http://www.qrz.com/db/> search AB2FN (B_schel, ibid.)

** SRI LANKA. End of an Era DW Trincomalee --- Not quite the end though DW ends. SLBC and any other stations (don't see RNW this B11 season) who have relay agreements will continue till the end of December when SLBC will take over running the station.

SLBC Puttalam will from tomorrow run FEBA South Indian languages 1330-1430 on 1125 kHz at increased 35 kW power. SLBC Tamil will continue on 1125 kHz at 1430-1550. Good chance for European DXers and Australians as well! Your reports welcome (G. Victor A. Goonetilleke 4S7VK, Oct 29, "Shangri-la"' 298 Madapatha Road, Piliyandala. Sri Lanka, E-mail: victorg @ slt.lk victor.goonetilleke @ gmail.com Skype: victorgoonetilleke +941 12614098 Mob: +94 718328336, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Are there any SLBC transmissions from Trincomalee at present? The ones that used to be there disappeared some time ago. And to my knowledge the RNW transmissions from Trincomalee were a classical exchange arrangement, now almost extinct except a single Kigali ./. Talata Volonondry hour because all DW transmissions via Bonaire have ceased.

Here Trincomalee could be heard pretty good after 1500 with Swahili on 21840. Now, after 1800, 6075 from Woofferton finally comes in at full strength after dark, like 9545 from Sines does. Woofferton is a quarter second behind, reminding of the attempts made in 2007 to continue the former Wertachtal/Sines synchro operations they finally had to terminate because they could not get rid of the echo. Also nicely noted can be the different audio processing, with noticeably more upper-mids boost being employed at Woofferton.

Had tuned in just in time at 1828 for what appears to be the audio of a video tape from the control room during the first broadcast from Bonn in 2003, when the announcer had after the news to move into the news studio because his studio failed, resulting in a minute or so of only the bumper bed on air. Gone are these times, now all they still needed was a self-op booth for the news announcer (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

My thanks to Mauno for alerting me to an error in my posting re SRI LANKA Trincomalee (Perkara) disappearing - it is premature. My apologies.

Mauno> Isn't Trincomalee still used for SLBC on 11750 1530-1830?

Mauno has just confirmed with me that he has monitored this transmission within the past 24 hours. Any further news in regards to the future of this SW site beyond B11 is welcome (Ian Baxter, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

Are we sure 11750 is still Trinco and not Ekala, where they also have 300 kW transmitters? HFCC B-11 shows: 11750 1500 1900 39 EKA 300 310 0 208 1234567 301011 250312 D SINGHALA CLN SLB SLB 16295 (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, ibid., via DXLD)

** SUDAN. 7200, SNBC, 1749, good with local vocals, comments by a M at 1751, tribal vocals, talk by a W. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 17745, Oct 29 at 1509, lots of African music, choral and instrumental. It's Sudan Radio Service, 1500-1657, 250 kW, 114

degrees from Sines, PORTUGAL in last day of service before it is closed down [and dismantled?].

Thought I'd better listen as SRS may be hard to hear from now on. Past 1650, almost all-music with occasional non-English announcements; one at 1511 was about malaria, sounded non-Arabic. I suppose it is ``Sudanese``, as described in Wikipedia:

``Sudanese Arabic is the most widely spoken language in the country. It is the result of a mixing of Egyptian Arabic and Arabic from the Arabian peninsula with local languages (El Rutana). This has resulted in a variety of Arabic that is unique to Sudan, reflecting the way in which the country has been influenced by both African and Arabian cultures``

Finally at 1637 an English announcement hard to understand but concluding with Sudan Radio Service ID. Why is the EDC devoting all this airtime to music instead of information?? We do enjoy the music.

B-11 HFCC shows that this transmission will continue where it is, merely shifting site to Woofferton UK, 300 kW, 126 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 13620, Oct 31 at 0526, presumed R. Dabanga is again audible, but poorly mixed with continuous 1 kHz tone jamming, just like in the good old days of A-11. Media Network blog now linx directly to the HFCC page for RNW scheduling including relays of and via.

http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbyfmo.php?seas=B11&fmor=RNW
but nothing about Radio Dabanga; instead, you have to know it`s listed
there as ``Press Now``, daily from 30 Oct to 25 Mar:

0430-0557 7315 Issoudun 135 500 0430-0557 11940 Issoudun 135 500 0430-0557 13800 Dhabayya 255 500

1530-1627 13800 Madagascar 325 250 1530-1627 15535 Wertachtal 150 500

But where's 13620??? It's no longer in B-11 HFCC either, but instead CRI English's North Pole service, 354 degrees from Xi'an at 03-05, plus CRI Chinese at 05-07. So the tone jamming must have been against that instead of R. Dabanga; oops!

Above are the Press Now listings in Mul[tiple languages]. There are three more PNs in Som[ali], a different service, but not yet: 0430-0457 13750 Madagascar 0 250 14 Nov to 25 Mar 1700-1727 11615 Madagascar 0 250 14 Nov to 25 Mar

13620, Nov 1 at 0524, continuous 1 kHz tone jammer with lite CCI, presumably CRI as now scheduled, instead of R. Dabanga, as Bashir regime still hasn't caught on that Dabanga is no longer there in B-11. Here's where it is:

7315, Nov 1 at 0528, numerous ``Radio Dabanga`` singing and spoken IDs over and over, also mentioned Darfur in Arabish. I bet there were 25 IDs in the next five minutes! Need to count them sometime; wish I had a clicker handy in my palm. Good S9+20 signal and no jamming (audible yet).

As in my previous report, 7315 is 500 kW, 135 degrees from Issoudun, FRANCE, // 11940 same, and 500 kW, 255 degrees from Dhabayya, UAE, all at 0430-0557, apparently no longer jumping sites every semihour. I doubt the other two were propagating here, altho not checked deliberately since I didn't have the new schedule at hand.

7315, Nov 2 at 0550, R. Dabanga via FRANCE, as 0430 transmission is almost over, fair signal, still no jamming audible (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN [and non]. 28943-USB, Oct 29 at 1419, the 10m band is suddenly full of SSB signals up to 29000. It takes a contest to get the band occupied, previously vacant above 28600. I monitor this spot for a while, a YL saying ``SI3A`` fonetically over and over, presumably meaning that is her call hoping some unknown station will answer. QRZ.com lists with her portrait:

Liv Ulla (YL) NorrmÈn Logevaegen 3 SE-862 41 Njurunda Sweden

At 1424 also heard SP4YPV, POLAND, and at 1458 EI2II, IRELAND (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- ** SYRIA. 9330, R. Damascus, Adra. Good at 2104 in English with QRG, announcement, NA and English news despite transmitter hum on 5/10 (John Adams, Beech Forest, Vic (JRC NRD-535 Ewe and Folded Dipole), Nov Australian DX News via DXLD)
- ** TAHITI. FRENCH POLYNESIA, 738, Radio Tahiti (RFO), 1341, presume the one, with snippets of island music and French talk, in very tight null of 2NR Grafton. 26 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL: Radio PolynÈsie, Papeete, 738, date/frequency English letter in 535 days for French report and US \$5.00 sent via airmail, and follow-up report in French with 3 IRCs via registered mail with return receipt. QSL received 45 days after follow-up report.

This station was heard on Kandahar Airfield Afghanistan, and is another APO mail disappearance victim. V/s. Christophe Marquand, Directeur de l'Antenna Radio. M. Marquand also returned my IRCs and sent his business card and a very nice station ballpoint pen!

Anyone else remember the old "Nudie Cutie" card that Radio Tahiti used to send out back in the 70's when they were on shortwave?

Snow is falling heavily here in Whitehall at the mo', and depending on what source you listen to, we are expecting 3-10 inches. I refuse to drive in it, so I have the entire weekend to just DX! 73 (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Al, Yes, indeed, mine has been in my gallery http://www.worldofradio.com/QSL.html for years: http://www.w4uvh.net/tahiti.jpg

QSL reports are interesting but ``there`s something missing``, i.e. details of the original reception, especially time? How did you manage to get Tahiti in Afghanistan, with all the higher-power Asian stations on 738??

We think of Tahiti being way, way, distant, but it's axually much closer to PA (about 10 megameters) than to Kandahar (10 kilomiles). It's about the same distance in the other direxion from Tahiti to western/northern Europe as it is to Afghanistan. Tahiti is no further west, but a lot further south, than Hawaii. 73, (Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I usually don't include reception details in a QSL report. Admittedly, I'm not an "old hand" like yourself, but I would usually put them into a log report, and the log is from May 2nd 2010.

Radio PolynÈsie was logged for about sixteen minutes beginning around 1510 UT on that date, which would have been around 1940 Kandahar time (right about dusk/sunset time for that time of year in the sandbox). Tahiti is GMT -10, which would have put this in at around 0510 their time. The receiver used was the Winradio G303e with a 100m longwire.

Many of my loggings were obtained by trying the randomwire as a (n extremely) short beverage with a terminating resistance on the end.

Id did not have the total beam directionality of a beverage, but it did focus the reception path a little bit. As the antenna sloped down from the top of a 60' self-supporting tower for our WiMAX equipment, I was able to rotate it pretty much 360 degrees by arranging for one of our tower crew to be up there if necessary to move the insulator from one corner of the tower to another for the evening. Since we had a large open area around our operation, I was able to swing the antenna wherever I wanted it for the evening. Not an optimum setup by a long run, but it did work in many instances, which I am now beginning to get the QSLs for. I also use the Palstar MW550P preselector which is quite nice to have for peaking and notching.

I note in my logs (DXtreme Reception Log) that there was severe QRM from a Chinese station co-channel as well as Hyderabad (tent.), giving the overall reception poor quality with the standard deep fades. My notes indicate that at 1519, there was a Radio Polynesie station identification where the name was definitely caught, but only caught the FM frequency, and did not hear the mediumwave mentioned.

When Haji wasn't lobbing rockets at us, Afghanistan provided some great DX. You couldn't pay me enough to go back there again, however. 33 months was enough. I got injured, saw people die, and went to a lot of ramp ceremonies. In between all of that, I got in a lot of good DX and ran an ISP. Incidentally, that's my 5th war zone: Grenada and Panama with the US Army, Sudan and Haiti (pre-quake) with the UN Dept. of Peacekeeping Operations and now the 'Stan. If I get a chance at Somalia, I'll go for an even six, but then that's it.

Hope I answered your questions and haven't bored you too greatly. :D 73 (Al Muick, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Al, Not boring at all! Please include the back-stories to your QSL reports, especially follow-ups a few years later when we may not remember the details even if you reported them at the time (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Hi Glenn and Al! Nice reading. Pity Al is only visiting (or for that matter pitching his shack) in war zones only! Kind regards, (Sudipta Ghose, India, ibid.)

Hi Sudipta, Unfortunately, combat zones are where the money is. I have expensive radio, cigar and beer habits to feed! ;-) I am hoping to pitch my shack in a nice, laid-back, tropical area of the world in another 6 years or so, and for right now, I am getting used to civilized society again (such as it is!). 73 (Al Muick, ibid.)

** TAIWAN. 11605.112, CBSC, RTI Taiwan's Japanese service from Tainan site. S=5 poor heard here in Germany at 0829 UT Oct 23.

- 11549.856, CBSC RTI Tainan in Hakka language. Not jammed. Some S=6 poor signal here in WeEUR (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)
- ** TAIWAN [non]. 6875 via WYFR, Nov 2 at 0605, RTI in German, news about Taiwan's rating by Lonely Planet, including clips in Chinese, all the while with undercurrent of some other audio, which I think was also German but totally unsynchronized, maybe yesterday's program incompletely erased from the tape??
- German??? This hour is supposed to be in SPANISH!! German from RTI is only scheduled at 19 and 21 via Eurosites, never WYFR. We've caught totally screwedup playouts from RTI before. How does this happen? 6875 was not as strong as last night, so not desensitizing out to 40 kHz away, but no pirates around anyway (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** TAIWAN [non]. 6875, Nov 3 at 0541, RTI via WYFR is in a Chinese language, altho scheduled during this hour as English! E.g. in archived version here: http://www.bclnews.it/b11schedules/rti.htm I wonder if they had even more totally wrong German this date at 0600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Next nite: Chinese to German at 0600! What's going on here?
- ** TAJIKISTAN. 4765.04, R. Tajikistan, 1810, general conversation between lang man and woman, occasional local music, fair despite QRN. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** TAJIKISTAN. 11660, Nov 2 at 1250, open carrier with flutter, hum. Hmmm, I said to myself, sounds just like what we used to get in A-11 on 11500, i.e. DushanbÈ failing to modulate V of Russia to S Asia. Yes! HFCC B-11 confirms it`s DB at 12-15, 500 kW, 155 degrees to CIRAF 41 with VOR. How can this go on for months and months with nobody in Moskva or Dushambe caring? After 1300, 11600 is overcome by ACI from both sides (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** TATARSTAN [non]. RUSSIA, B-11 Tatarstan Wave in Tatar/Russian: 0410-0500 on 15105 SAM 160 kW / 065 deg to FE 0610-0700 on 9410 SAM 250 kW / 058 deg to RUS 0810-0900 on 11610 SAM 250 kW / 305 deg to WeEU (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, 30 Oct via DXLD)
- ** THAILAND. Disruption at Nakhon Sawan due to flood? On 30th Oct 2011, at 1642 UT, BBC 5845 DRM was carrying looped IS instead of regular programming. Audio file attached. At 1400-1500z BBC Hindi was

missing on 5865 & 7600 (both from NAK), heard on 3 other freq's. But later on noted both the freq's 5865 & 7600 were on air. Also this morning all scheduled txn's via NAK were as usual. Any clues? Regards (Alokesh Gupta, India, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[Later:] Got this info from a contact at BBC ...

quote ...

Hi Alokesh, yes the disruption is due to floods and all BBC services have been affected. Also the schedules were changing at this time. ...unquote

Disruptions were more likely due to schd changes. Regards (Alokesh Gupta, Nov 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 9720, Nov 2 at 1245, English news about China, Russia, ME, W&M alternating, fair with flutter. Nothing about Thailand, not even the flood disaster, while I listened a few minutes, but it`s HSK9 now here for B-11 at 1230-1300 (and nearby 9725 for the next English at 1400-1430, both 250 kW, 132 degrees from Udorn). It sure would be nice if they would aim one of these toward us (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 15450, Oct 27 at 1305, VOT with good signal in English, discussing fight against terrorism = PKK, with bits of music, Kurdish? Why don't they just cede a chunk of Turkey to the Kurds and be done with it? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BTW, the 25 million Kurds settle down not only on present Turkey soil, but also in Syria border region, and Iraq+Iran mountains too. Kurds wait for own territory integrity since Ottoman Empire Sultanate collapse in 1922 and Lausanne peace treaty. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ottoman_Empire#Fall_of_the_Empire http://www.navend.de/images/kurdistan.gif

13635, Oct 29 still on at 1408, good signal with Turkish music. TRT is supposed to close this frequency before 1300; getting slipshod at season-end? In B-11, not scheduled at all here, instead 15350. The full Turkish-language new sked per HFCC:

01-03 6000

05-07 9700, 9820

(Wolfgang B schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

07-10 11925

07-13 15480

07-14 15350

14-17 11815

17-22 5980, 6120

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 9700, Oct 30 at 0524, this is the new TRT frequency ex-11980 for good Turkish music, now scheduled 05-07; while Bulgaria is making much less use of 9700, now registered only 1600/1900 from Plovdiv; unless they revive Kostinbrod DRM which is tentatively registered all the way from 1900 to 0500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. If one wants to listen to V. of Turkey in the North American mornings, better do it in something other than English.

17755, Oct 31 at 1307, VG signal with Turkish music, German ID. 15350, Turkish service until 1400 was also good. 12035, the English service to WEu at 290 degrees, so also USward, is now scheduled here at 1330, ex-1230 on 15450 which came in sufficiently in A-11. But Oct 31 at 1350 only a JBA carrier detectable on 12035. What used to be // on 11735 eastward has been moved to 1730 (not to be confused with Zanzibar). (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. 4975.99, UBC, English, 1940, good with radio play (or similar), into hilife. In the clear, though earlier checks had this hetting against Voice of Russia relay, which dominated. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA [non]. Radio Y'abanganda schedule is now Saturdays 1700-1715 on 17725 via Issoudon, France (Media Broadcast schedule, via Michael Bethge via Wolfgang Bueschel, Nov World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

ex-Libya frequency earlier for English (gh)

** UKRAINE. RADIO UKRAINE INTERNATIONAL B-11 schedule http://www.nrcu.gov.ua/index.php?id=157

All times UT. On medium wave:

Romanian

1800-1900 657 kHz Chernivtsi 25 kW to Romania and Moldova 2000-2100 657 kHz Chernivtsi 25 kW to Romania and Moldova 2200-2225 657 kHz Chernivtsi 25 kW to Romania and Moldova

On-line:

16 kbps http://89.187.1.165/NRCU4?WMContentBitrate=20000&MSWMExt=.asf 128 kbps http://89.187.1.165/NRCU4?MSWMExt=.asf

Web stream schedule:

English

00-01

03-04

08-09

10-11

13-14

20-21

22-23

German

15-16

18-19

21-22

Romanian

11-12

17-18

Ukrainian

01-02

02-03

04-05

05-06

06-07

07-08

09-10

12-13

14-15

16-17 19-20

23-00

Via satellite:

ìAstra 4Aî: 4,8 East, frequency 11,766 MHz, horizontal polarization, SR 27.500 Ms/s, FEC 3/4.

(Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD) NO SHORTWAVE

** U A E. 1575, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, Radyo Farda, al-Dhabbiya. 0054 October 26, 2011. Fairly decent carrier with traces of presumed Farsi cloned Bollywood-style vocals, also at 800 kW of brute force (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. RAMPISHAM CLOSE DOWN AFTER 70 YEARS --- Hi, There follows a note and enclosed jpeg from a colleague of mine, Martin Rumens at Rampisham detailing the closedown after 70 years of transmission. A sad day indeed but regrettably one that happens more and more these

days. Dave Porter G40YX

Babcock, Woofferton

Subject: FW: Thank you and farewell

Dear All, Rampisham has broadcast its last transmission! A few short wave enthusiasts gathered around S48 to watch Dave Plater switch off the last transmission at 2200 GMT, which ironically was for Deutsche Welle.

Earlier in the evening Bush played a melody of interval signals on S49 after the last BBC transmission and there was a farewell message from Bush House. All is now quiet in the sender hall. Martin Rumens (via David Porter, G40YX, Oct 31, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** U K. Final analogue transmission from Orfordness? The cancellation of Polish Radio's plans to use Orfordness from Sunday [see POLAND [non]] mean that tomorrow's (Friday's) 0800-1000 GMT transmission by Radio Netherlands on 1296 may be the last ever analogue signals from the station. This RN transmission is Monday-Friday only, and they have cancelled the use of ORF in B11. From Sunday, the only transmissions from ORF will be the usual DRM on 1296 at 0500-0700 (Chris Greenway, Oct 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: Final analogue transmission from Orfordness? It seems that RNW now not only keeps 1296 Mon-Fri 0900-1100 but even adds a daily evening slot 1700-1800:

http://cdn.sites.radionetherlands.nl/pdf/freq/B11-Dutch-Europe-color.pdf So the cuts appear to not become effective *yet*.

Rant on: Is it me, or have we indeed hardly seen before such a messed up schedule change, with modifications being made literally until the last minute, such as the 1296/3955 stunt for Polskie Radio? Likewise the B11 schedule for the remains of DW radio is still unclear, with various contradictory versions circulating of which no one appears to be the real thing (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 1400 UT Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. Mark Thompson's 2011 Radio Festival speech \tilde{n} full text The BBC director general on changes to the corporation and his hopes for the radio industry

http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2011/nov/01/mark-thompson-radio-festival-speech?newsfeed=true

(Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K [non]. 11890, Oct 31 at 1452, BBCWS in English, fair but we must take whatever we can get from this non-American service, // 9740

Singapore, but not 17640 Ascension. 11890 is also SINGAPORE, 13-15, 100 kW, 25 degrees to E Asia, but also USward. Sri Lanka SLBC is also registered on 11890 at 1330-2100, but not really, I think.

15400, Nov 1 at 0455 S9+18 open carrier, must be BBCWS from somewhere warming up, probably Africa, as VON is at same level on 15120 tho self-destructively unlistenable, (and also S9+12 OC on 15580 from VOA Botswana). At 0459, 15400 is modulating conclusion of previous program! How slipshod. Then BBCWS ID and on to news from 0500. HFCC shows it`s 250 kW, 330 degrees from Meyerton, SOUTH AFRICA ñ same azimuth originally used for Radio RSA to North America, but now it`s supposedly going no further than West Africa. Sorry, BBC, we can still hear you well despite your intention to cut off North America from SW service! Scheduled 05-07, then switching to Ascension until 1030 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Still some late evening options on shortwave in B-11 for BBC World Service in North America: At 0400 both 6005 and 7255 via Ascension putting fair signals into Texas, but much better was 12095 from Meyerton with pretty solid reception.

At 0500, 7255 still at fair level, but 6005 buried under slop from RHC English on 6010. But Meyerton comes through again, as 15400 there with signal equal to 12095 an hour earlier. Hopefully those transequatorial paths hold up throughout northern winter (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, Nov 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also THAILAND

** U S A. 12788-USB, Oct 30 at 2157, marine weather for Atlantic by masculine robot, very distorted and unstable frequency, continued past 2200+. Presumably NMG in New Orleans, US Coast Guard service still direly in need of repair. See schedule and discussion in DXLD 11-19.

Also found weaker // on 13089-USB less distorted. See DXLD 10-07 where this was listed as NMN Chesapeake at 2130, but same frequency used elsewhen by Pt Reyes CA and Honolulu, not New Orleans (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. QSL: KSM (Bolinas, CA) 16914, date only KSM Radiogram in 59 days for English report via first class mail and US \$2.00 return postage. This is one of the Grande Belles of the utility coastal stations from back in the day. They operate every Saturday, and you can find the schedule under http://www.radiomarine.org and secure one of these QSLs for yourself! V/s Paul Shinn, Maintenance. The QSL came from him at PO Box 175, Valley Springs, CA 95252. 73 (Al Muick, Whitehall PA USA, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5000, Oct 27 at 1145, JBA carrier from presumed WWV or WWVH. This is extremely unusual, neither of them audible on 5 MHz.

Fortunately, 2500 still bore WWV. Further, lower-latitude signals remained such as 4055 Guatemala and 5025 Cuba (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. The clock-auto-setting 60 kHz WWVB signals from Colorado, despite large coverage on VLF groundwave, have not been so good at further reaches of the conterminous, Florida and up the eastern seaboard, so what to do? How about adding another site in the East? It could have been at a USN facility in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, Redstone Arsenal in Alabama, or even IBB Greenville NC. Feasibility studies ruled out PR and AL, then the Alabamans in Congress froze funding, and whether IBB could be persuaded to put WWVB-East at Greenville was not at all certain. So the only way out seems to be to increase the power in Colorado at WWVB itself, now being planned (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 17820, Oct 27 at 1308, big open carrier atop DW Hausa, as IBB Greenville makes another habitual brief appearance around this time far ahead of scheduled 17820 broadcast, VOA Portuguese at 1700. In B-11 this moves to 17650, with an earlier start Fridays at 1630.

11700, Sunday Oct 30 at 1329, jazz // better 7575 but not synchronized, i.e. `Jazz America` from VOA as scheduled Sat & Sun 13-14. 11700 is now THAILAND, 250 kW at 30 degrees USward, 13-14 weekends only in addition to same 12-13 daily; 7575 is Tinang, PHILIPPINES at 13-14 also Sat & Sun only, 250 kW, 332 degrees. Rest of IBB 7575 schedule in B-11 is: 12-13 daily via Sri Lanka, 49 degrees, 14-15 M-F & 15-16 daily via Thailand, 280 degrees.

13580, Oct 31 at 1449, uncertain language with oscillating tone QRM, jamming? Also CODAR QRM. Scheduled as VOA Kurdish via Wertachtal, GERMANY; QRM might have come from Abis, EGYPT, already on air for 1500 Albanian service via defective transmitter due northwest USward.

7525, Oct 30 at 1425, very good signal in Chinese, in fact the second strongest station on band after nearby 7490 WWCR. Also has weak CCI under 7525. HFCC shows it's now IBB, 250 kW, 21 degrees USward via Tinang, PHILIPPINES, i.e. VOA or RFA, so it must be jammed.

17650, Nov 2 at 1404, VOA news with fair reception, but don't expect anything more unless you go to voanews.com because at 1405 'Music Mix' ensued. FWIW, 17650 is now active at 14-15, 100 kW, 88 degrees from SvO TOM..., then Hausa 1500-1530, 100 kW, 330 degrees from Botswana. At 1630/1830, 17650 is also now in use from Greenville for Portuguese to Africa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On his "Border Crossings" program today, Larry London announced new

frequencies for the show beginning November 7: for Africa: 909 kHz for South Africa (new frequency) 1530 to central and western Africa shortwave: 15580, 17715, 17895 to Africa 7575, 9930, 12150 to Asia 11840, 13570 to Middle East, Europe, Northern Africa (Mike Cooper, Oct 28, DX LISTENIG DIGEST) Time? Used to be 15-16 UT, M-F?. Nov 7 implies it's waiting on the unDST timeshift in Washington DC (gh, DXLD) Glenn: Show currently airs at 1500, no mention was made of time change. Yes, I found it odd that frequency changes were set for when DST ends (Mike Cooper, ibid.) ** U S A [and non]. Some B-11s: RADIO FREE IRAQ in Arabic from Kuwait to Iraq 0200-0700 1593 1500-1530 1593 1830-2000 1593 2100-2300 1593 RADIO MARTI in Spanish to Cuba, Caribbean 0000-0300 6030 7365 9825 0000-2400 1180 0300-0400 6030 7365 7405 0400-0500 6030 7365 7405 Tue-Sun 0700-1000 5980 6030 Tue-Sun 1000-1100 5980 6030 1100-1200 5745 5980 6030 1200-1300 5745 5980 7405 1300-1400 5745 7405 11930 1400-2000 11930 13820 15330 2000-2200 9565 11930 13820 2200-2400 6030 7405 9565

[HFCC B-11 now shows two CAN IBB IBB listings, i.e. R. Martl relays via Sackville, strangely enough using only 100 kW vs jamming: 20-22 on 9565, 01-03 on 9825

Note also the time splits, both also used from Greenville before/after --- gh]

RADIO MASHAAL in Pashto to Afghanistan 0400-0500 621 12130 13580 15760

RADIO SAWA in Arabic to NoAF, NoEaAF, NE, ME

0000-2400 990 to Libya, Egypt, Palestine

0000-2400 1170 to NE/ME

0000-2400 1548 to NE/ME

1645-0400 1431 to Djibouti, NoEaAF

1200-1300 15770 17840

1300-1330 15770 17880

1330-1500 11880 17880

1500-1530 11780 11880

1530-1600 11780 17515

1600-1700 9760 17515

(VOA, via William Hague-UK NWDXC, Oct 19 via BC-DX Oct 27 via DXLD)

But is R. Sawa really on any SW frequencies now?? (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 3195 WWRB, Nashville [sic]. // 5051 approx., with World of Radio by Glenn Hauser 0330-0400 on 21/10 with poor level of signal (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria (Sony ICF 2001, 16 Marconi), Nov Australian DX News via DXLD) Was one better than the other? (gh, DXLD)

5050.996 very uneven frequency, WWRB Manchester TN USA tentative, why so odd frequency? at 0126 UT Oct 31, S=3-4 poor suffering signal here in Europe. Compared to powerhouses from Quivican, Rebelde 5025 and 5040 RHC on S=9+20dBm level (Wolfgang B $_{\rm s}$ schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7490.077, WBCQ, very poor and tiny, S=3-4 only, at 0045 UT Oct 31, English pastor on sermon.

5109.728, WBCQ The Planet in English, Monticello ME USA, two men talked about mainstream on heaven Jesus, at 0128 UT Oct 31 (Wolfgang B schel, Germany, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1588 monitoring: first airing confirmed on webcast from WRMI 9955, UT Thursday Oct 27 until 0400. Further WRMI times: Thu 1500, 2100, Fri 0500, 1430, Sat 0800, 1500, 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730.

WTWW: Thu 2101 9479, UT Sun 0400 5755

WBCQ: Thu 2130 NEW 7490 ex-7415; UT Sun 0300v 5110v-CUSB (last week was at 0200 by mistake)

WWRB: UT Friday 0331 on 3195, 5051

WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830

WORLD OF RADIO 1588 monitoring. Confirmed on WTWW 9479, excellent signal Thursday Oct 27 from 2100:30, after ID inserted into SFAW, back to SFAW for a few more sex before WOR. Other time on WTWW is UT Sunday

0400+ on 5755.

Also confirmed on WRMI 9955, Thursday Oct 27 from 2100, just after signing back on. Poor but readable signal, not jammed. Further WRMI airings: Friday 0500, 1430, Saturday 0800, 1500, 1730, Sunday 0800, 1530, 1730. . .

Also confirmed on WBCQ 7490 (NEW, ex-7415), from 2130 Thursday Oct 27, checked around 2140 with readable signal and no QRM audible, as closer to sunset. Next week will still be at 2130, but B-11 schedules in effect elsewhere, including konflict with Kazakhstan until 2200. Week after that, we switch to 2230 UT, and then the co-channel will be BBC via Thailand. Other time on WBCQ: UT Monday 0300v on Area 51 5110v-CUSB (last week it was at 0200 by mistake).

Also confirmed before 0400 Oct 28, the UT Friday 0330 airing on WWRB, now much better on 3195 but still // 5051.

WORLD OF RADIO 1588 monitoring: Saturday Oct 29 at 1509, can barely recognize my voice on 9955 WRMI, weak signal, remnant pulse jamming, and CCI from presumed YFR Russian via Taiwan. Further WRMI airings are: Sat 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730, Mon 1130, 1530, 2130, Tue & Wed 1530.

On WTWW: UT Sunday 0400 on 5755

On WBCQ: UT Monday 0300v on Area 51 5110v-CUSB

On Hamburger Lokalradio: Tuesday 1030 on 5980 [now on winter time]

WORLD OF RADIO 1588 monitoring: on WTWW 5755, confirmed UT Sunday Oct 30 0400 via webcast. We expect this to change from 0400 to 0500 UT in two weeks. Another airing this weekend: WBCQ Area 51 5110v-CUSB, UT Monday 0300v, to change in one week to 0400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, 0400 Mondays will continue to have WOR on 5110. There are no schedule changes, except for the stupid DST shift. Regards, Lw (Larry Will, Area 51/WBCQ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1588 monitoring: confirmed on Area 51 webcast, http://www.splatterbox.us:5110/listen.pls slightly after 0300 UT Monday Oct 31 and presumably also on 5110v-CUSB WBCQ. After 0330 played a vintage International Radio Report from years ago with Janice interviewing TimTron, when WBCQ was on 18910 moving to 17495.

Next WOR airings on WRMI 9955: Monday 2130; Tuesday and Wednesday 1530; on Hamburger Lokalradio, Germany, 5980: Tuesday at shifted time of 1030 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WTWW-1 from Nov 6: 1300-0000 9480 [sic] 0000-1300 5755

(George McClintock, WTWW, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I take this to mean WOR will continue on same frequencies, one UT hour later (gh)

9990, Oct 27 around 2015, big open carrier, no doubt WTWW-2 testing again, but no modulation this time, and cuts off and on.

12105, Nov 1 at 1320, WTWW-3 Arabic JBA due to propagation disturbance instead of usual loud & clear; WTWW-1 PPP was better tho not up to usual powerhouse level. WWV reported:

``Solar-terrestrial indices for 31 October follow.

Solar flux 138 and mid-latitude A-index 7.

The mid-latitude K-index at 1200 UTC on 01 November was 5 (93 nT).

The mid-latitude K-index at 1500 UTC on 01 November was 3 (36 nT).

Space weather for the past 24 hours has been minor.

Geomagnetic storms reaching the G1 level occurred.

Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be minor.

Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level are likely.``

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 15825, Thursday Oct 27 at 2034, VG signal from WWCR during a decent musical program, 'Into the Blue', which means bluegrass, not blues or naughty comedy. Lots of banjo tunes. 2057 interrupt music and switch to another, interrupt again at 2058 for QSY announcement to 7465. Earlier in the hour I tried to listen to 'Couleurs Tropicales' on RFI via GUF 21690, but they were chatting more than musicking.

15825, Oct 30 at 1435 past 1500, WWCR with crazy screaming gospel huxter, and music at same time, extremely distorted and splattering. If the programming is coming in like this, it should be rejected as not of broadcast quality. If it's going out like this, just another ho-hum day at WWCR engineering. Probably both.

BTW2, while consulting HFCC about WYFR on 6875, re unID q.v. pirate on 6925, I see that WWCR also has a new wooden registration for 6875! The 46-degree rhombic at 23-02 from 7 November to 10 March, 22-01 UT before and after while DST reigns. That wood be alternate to 3195, which is also shown not only at 22-01/23-02 but also unchanging 06-10, the latter also obviously wooden alternate to 3215. 5070 might also be used instead of 5890 at 07-12 on the 90-degree antenna.

WWCR now has posted not only their Week Of Confusion transmitter schedule, but the next one from Nov 7 at: http://www.wwcr.com/transmitter-sched.html

which indeed does *not* show 6875 or the other alternates above.

9955, Nov 1 at 0523, surprised to hear on WRMI the tobacco-stained voice of Doctor Jerry Plummer, and that of Brady Murray, on a stale `Ask WWCR` we heard weeks ago discussing the mid-September HFCC Dallas conference and some of the people they met, not including yours truly. Scheduled at 0515 UT Tuesdays is `Viva Miami`, apparently ceded to WWCR this week. Also with pulse jamming courtesy Coro & Co. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 21600, Oct 30 at 1409, fair signal with gospel huxter in English, new frequency for WHRI registered 14-15 daily but maybe not; other 13m listed is 21630 daily 16-20, daily except Sundays 15-16, but probably not to full extent. By 1431, 21600 had swelled to enough signal to splatter upon Spain 21610.

9490, Oct 30 at 2150, gospel huxter in English, VG signal. Must be WHRI. Yes, B-11 scheduled 21-22 only, Sunday thru Wednesday, 250 kW at 47 degrees. May not use it all those days. PPP on 9479 has some close company.

21630, Nov 1 at 1759, WHRI is not solid, but plenty strong, and with heavy short/longpath echo before sign-off. Strange propagation today, meaning that this had to transit the darkside over a 38-megameter path to get here the long/wrong way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15610, Oct 30 at 1340, WEWN English is now on here in B-11 from 1200, two hours earlier than in A-11, replacing IRRS via ROMANIA; see ITALY [non]. WEWN brings along with it the dirty, squishy spurs plus/minus 9 kHz, beating against open carrier on 15600, presumably kilowasting kilowatts BULGARIA, now registered in Bulgarian at 14-15 on both 15600 and 15700, but nothing on 15700 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And Harold F checks in with the following 'wise ass' comment: Got a letter from EWTN asking me to contribute to Mother Angelica's Ministry. It was signed by Father Joseph, and included a handy, wallet-sized picture of Mom. Angelica and Joe are not the names of the people they told me were my parents. Have I been lied to all these years? Brother Staircase, Dead Dr. Gene and Reverend Barbi never write (Harold Frodge, MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

** U S A. 9370-, UT Sun Oct 30 at 0031, WTJC is in Chinese, always causing a bit of a double-take, as it's still missing from their own alleged program schedule at http://www.fbnradio.com/saturday.htm Has remained in whack lately without the distorted spurs, but modulation not up to par (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 15480, Nov 1 at 0456, S9+20 with ``What a Friend We Have in Jesus`` on panpipe and chimes; 0458 ``Sweet Hour of Prayer``; 0500 AWR theme, ID in English but no site given, introducing Arabic. Equally good signal to BBC on 15400 from SOUTH AFRICA, and this is too, HFCC saying 04-06, 250 kW, 19 degrees from Meyerton in Arabic both hours.

15480, Nov 1 at 2045, Arabic, then W&M with familiar love song, no doubt adapted into love of God/Jesus/Battle Creek. HFCC shows AWR via Meyerton, SOUTH AFRICA at 19-21, 250 kW, 19 degrees, exactly same as another bihour in Arabic at 04 on same 15480 I already reported. Adventism originated in the USA and AWR is still HQ`ed here, despite lack of any US SW stations (other than outlying GUAM, not a state. But ``where America`s day begins``).

17670 now has a collision at equal levels, Nov 2 at 1330 between Arabic with IRIB news theme, low-key mentions of Egypt, Iran, flutter; and, tonal language by emphatic speaker. HFCC B-11 reveals the answer:

IRIB, 1030-1630, 500 kW, 274 degrees from Kamalabad in Arabic, and AWR, 1300-1357, 250 kW, 60 degrees from MADAGASCAR in Vietnamese. Well, maybe they don't collide in the target areas, but I wouldn't bet on it, with back-radiation eastward from Iran, and usually broad coverage from Madagascar, whatever the nominal azimuth. After all, I am getting it way, way, offbeam roughly to the side (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Family Radio Stations was broadcasting a message on October 22, one day after the world failed to end, encouraging remaining supporters to keep making donations to the network. "Please pray for us and pray about continuing to support this totally listenersponsored Christian radio network. We have a great need for daily operating funds. Without your generous support at this time we might be forced to face some very important decisions. I trust those of you who enjoy some of our programming daily will be able to share generously in the months ahead."

On October 24 we were exclusively told that the 90-year-old was no longer able to lead his Family Radio ministry, and would be retiring. On October 28 in a message on his website, with his speech sounding somewhat slurred and labored, Harold Camping sought to address why Christ failed to return on October 21 as he had predicted.

Camping confessed, after decades of falsely misleading his followers, that he was wrong and regrets his misdeeds: "Why didn't Christ return on Oct. 21? It seems embarrassing for Family Radio. But God was in charge of everything . . . Incidentally, I have been told that I said back in May that people who did not believe that May 21 should not be

the rapture date, probably had not been saved. I should not have said that, and I apologize for that. One thing we know for certain, is that God is merciful, merciful beyond anything that we would ever expect." (Christian Post via Nov WDXC Contact via DXLD)

** U S A. HAROLD CAMPING'S FAMILY RADIO PULLS DOOMSDAY PREDICTIONS
FROM WEBSITE === Time, By Nick Carbone, October 28, 2011
http://newsfeed.time.com/2011/10/28/harold-campings-family-radio-pulls-doomsday-predictions-from-website/#ixzz1c6cDhjzJ

Prepare yourself: the end is here. The end of the end of the world predictions, that is.

Family Radio, the religious organization started by self-professed prophet Harold Camping, is no longer calling for the end of the world. Is it possible after two failed predictions this year, and at least two more in past years, that they just don't know when the Rapture will be?

So, for now at least, they've stopped predicting. That's right, there's no other ominous date in their calendar for the foreseeable future. And the 90-year-old Camping, who told The Christian Post last week that he has retired as head of Family Radio, isn't turning to his Bible to make another calculation. And FamilyRadio.com, which previously acted as a mouthpiece for their Judgment Day prophecies, has since removed all word about the end of times. They've scrubbed all past mentions of the date ñ including the explanation about why the May 21st events never materialized.

Camping has been historically firm and disquietingly precise in his prior predictions, spawning much discussion. After all, imagine if he were right! He famously predicted, to much online frenzy, that the end of the world would occur on May 21, 2011. The very bold plan was topped by an even bolder hypothesis that said apocalypse would occur by way of earthquakes happening at 6 p.m. local time that Saturday.

Did you feel the shaking? Neither did we. In fact, the only rumbling came from Camping's compound near Oakland, Calif. as the press banged down his door to inquire.

Camping, who said he was iflabbergastedî the rapture hadn't occurred, revised his prediction, instead calling for the ultimate Judgment Day on October 21, five months later. That day, too, has come and gone with not one of us Earthly beings having faced the pearly gates or forced to evaluate our life's worth.

Until next time, Family Radio. If there is a next time, that is (via Mike Terry, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

HAROLD CAMPING GIVES UP ON RAPTURE PROPHECIES
Seattle News October 31, 2011
http://blog.seattlepi.com/thebigblog/2011/10/31/harold-camping-gives-up-on-rapture-prophecies/

Radio preacher Harold Camping is giving up on predicting the end of the world.

After two failed rapture prophecies this year alone, Camping resigned from the head of his Family Radio organization, and the Christian Post reports he wonít be divining any more doomsday predictions from the Bible.

This message came out of the Family Radio organization last week:

iThy command is still to occupy [sic, how hip; FR is in Oakland, after all] until he comes. We are still to go teach and tell. We are to share his word by reading it, teaching it, and singing it. We still have a unique tool and that tool is radio on which we can bring comfort and encouragement. Every day we, who are Christians, live in attention. We are to live so that we are ready for the return of Christ, and even pray for it. But we also rejoice in every new day, that weive been given another day to occupy and serve our Lord.î

Camping predicted the rapture would happen May 21, and suffered a stroke after his predictions fell flat. He revised the prediction later, saying it was a spiritual judgement that occurred in may. The actual rapture, he explained, would happen in October.

When Oct. 21 came and went without believers being lifted to the heavens, Camping reportedly stepped down from his leadership post at Family Radio.

Documentary maker Brandon Tauszik talked with Camping earlier this month and told the Christian Post he seemed less certain about his predictions:

Camping seemed still very disappointed that his calculations about the May 21 doomsday were wrong, according to Tauszik. The radio evangelist asserted that he was very careful in making the calculations, and then said in a complaining tone that no matter how careful one is in his calculations, God can still withhold information from him.

More recently, Family Radio pulled all references to the rapture predictions from its website (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

[and non]. 17575, Oct 30 at 2202, S9+20 VG signal with off-key child singing hymn in Portuguese, 2204 YFR theme. In B-11 this is new, 2145-2245 at 140 degrees. And 15190 is no longer in use, clearing the way for R. InconfidÍncia, and possibly R. Africa if it ever revive (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 29004, Oct 30 at 2207, N7KLV calling CQ 10 AM several times from southwest Washington state, without results while I listened. Any activity is rare in the upper half of 10m (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. CLEAR CHANNEL CUTS D.J.íS ACROSS THE COUNTRY New York Times, By Brian Stelter, October 27, 2011

Clear Channel Communications, the largest radio station operator in the United States, dismissed dozens of local D.J.ís this week, affecting small stations from Syracuse to Spokane, Wash., and raising fresh concerns about the homogenization of radio programming. Full article here:

 $\verb|http://mediadecoder.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/10/27/clear-channel-cuts-d-j-s-across-the-country/|$

(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. RADIO: OLD MEDIUM SERVES VITAL PURPOSE IN INDIAN COUNTRY http://www.nativetimes.com/life/entertainment/6249-radio-old-medium-serves-vital-purpose-in-indian-country

PEACH SPRINGS, Ariz. (AP) ñ When a massive snowstorm hit the Navajo Nation, leaving hundreds of people stranded in deep snow and mud, there was no question about how to get emergency information to them immediately. In fact, there was only one way: Broadcast radio.

Elderly residents across the vast reservation tuned in to the tribe's AM station to find out what color to display outside their homes if they needed water, food, hay, coal or medical attention. Messages went out in Navajo and English on what do to with ready-to-eat meals that were being dropped from the air. Younger Navajos were encouraged to check on their parents and grandparents living in remote areas.

iAll the elderly, they're very much aware,î Lori Lee Sekayumptewa, who coordinated messages from the tribal government to KTNN-AM. iThey get their little radios and batteries and make sure they have that equipment all the time. You go to a hogan, you go to a sheep camp, there's a little radio there and KTNN.î

Under the vast skies in the great isolated reaches of Indian Country \tilde{n} from the high plains to the deserts to rugged mountain ranges \tilde{n} radio still rules.

Battery, electric and solar-powered radios sit atop tractors and in the hands of shepherds, blare from atop kitchen tables and have becomes travel companions for tribal members setting out on long, rugged drives. Across Indian Country, only one in three families own a landline telephone and broadband penetration is estimated at only 10 percent, according to the Federal Communications Commission.

iWith infrastructure the way it is now, radio will always be the backbone, the failsafe,î said Richard Davis, station manager at KUYI-FM on the Hopi reservation. iIt's a very stable platform and it will always remain so. I envision a time when terrestrial radio probably no longer will be needed on the reservations countrywide, but that's a few decades out.î

Tribal members on the Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota tune in to KILI-FM to hear an eclectic mix of music ñ from traditional Lakota to country, rock hip hop, blues and jazz. The staff covers Tribal Council meetings, more than 100 high school basketball games each winter and community announcements and school delays. Tom Casey, a self-described jack of all trades for the station, said it still is as relevant today as it was in 1983 when it first broadcast.

iWe needed to connect the community, and we needed a voice to celebrate Lakota history, traditions and culture,î he said.

The Navajo Nation's KTNN-AM pulls people gathered in a sports arena during tribal elections to interview and gives listeners a breakdown of how each community voted. Livestock and mineral reports are part of the regular programming, along with rodeo news, funeral announcements and a featured iNavajo Word of the Day,î a teaching tool for the unique language.

Every weekend, dozens of people call into the Hopi radio station in northern Arizona with birthday dedications, congratulatory messages and other shout-outs, Davis said.

iIt's like a blood pressure monitor; it reflects the heartbeat of where we live,î he said. iPeople celebrating the gift of being alive and breathing a new breath every day.î

All three stations have expanded their reach through Internet streaming, but one northwestern Arizona tribe has discovered that the Internet isn't the best fit when only half the community has access and even that is limited.

The Hualapai Tribe is taking a somewhat reverse approach, using federal grant money and tribal funds to sustain its Internet radio

show while working toward a low-power FM license with the FCC that would allow it to broadcast within a 30-mile radius.

Out of the 14,600 total stations licensed by the commission as of the end of 2010, only 48 are held by tribes.

In an effort to help tribes preserve language and culture, and to promote self-governance, the FCC established a priority last year for radio applications filed by federally recognized tribes or an entity that is majority-owned by a tribe and proposes to cover at least 50 percent tribal land. A proposed expansion would cover tribes that don't have reservations.

Fred Hannel, a consultant for the Hualapai Tribe, said a realistic expectation to start on the path to licensure under the new provision would be 2013, since the FCC must still establish filing windows for construction permits and licenses.

The most popular programming for Hualapai based on listener response so far is oral history. Elders have recounted the painful experience of their ancestors being assaulted by the U.S. Calvary during a grueling, 160-mile trek through the mountains of western Arizona in 1874 that led to death and disease among Hualapais. Radio listeners were reminded of the determination that helped the survivors reclaim their land.

iThe most potential has to do with culture and tradition,î said Terri Hutchens, a Hualapai tribal health worker. iWhen there's an oral tradition, it would only make sense that it be done over the radio.î

Hualapai listeners get a dose of traditional music, sports and tribal government coverage, health tips and cultural programming through iThe Peach,î named for the tribal capital of Peach Springs. Students have been brainstorming ideas for a radio drama that is the cornerstone of a National Institutes of Health grant. The characters deal with storylines that represent an issue in the community ñ how to break an addiction, combat health problems or even bail someone out of jail.

Nicolette Teufel-Shone, who partnered with tribal health director Sandra Irwin to write the grant, says more than 75 percent of Hualapai youth will be diagnosed with diabetes or cardiovascular disease before the age of 40 if current trends continue. She said less than 10 percent of the families eat a traditional diet or engage in physically demanding activity.

There's a lot of passive acceptance of unhealthy choices, she said, which iThe Peachî seeks to counter.

The station will have a broader reach when it goes to broadcast. Even though the date for that is uncertain, officials say the need is clear considering the reservation has no emergency notification system, a tribal newsletter publishes only monthly and regular television news rarely mentions the tribe.

iThis really paints a picture of why terrestrial radio stations are so significant and so essential for tribal communities across the country,î said Loris Taylor, president and chief executive of Native Public Media, Inc. iThese stations were borne out of a need in the community to be engaged, to have an information ecology that will either help them to preserve or sustain their language or their culture or to provide a window into tribal history or simply to allow them to play songs and hear their own news and weather.î (via Kevin Redding, Oct 27, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. RADIO SURVEY SPAM FROM KOIT [illustrated] http://cobaltpet.blogspot.com/2011/10/radio-survey-spam-from-koit.html

KOIT 96.5 MHz in San Francisco is a light rock radio station. In other words, they play bland background music for mindless suburban types. The only time I hear it is while at my dentist's office, where it is played continuously in every room. Me? I prefer to have my pain dulled with chemicals while getting my mouth checked.

On Friday, October 14, 2011, I received postal mail from a company called Impact Research in Newton Square, PA. It was addressed to me, without a single flaw in my name or address, so I decided to take a look. Maybe it was legitimate, or maybe they just got past my filters.

The sensation of pleasure was evident in my brain as I scanned the text: "Dear Bay Area Radio Listener"... "radio listening preferences"... "help shape local radio programming"... "listen to your assigned station for at least one hour"... "you will be entered into a drawing"... "the station you have been assigned to listen to is KOIT at 96.5 FM".

Well, I never put any faith in drawings for \$1000, but I was curious enough to follow through. I googled for "impact research" "newton square", and found articles berating it as a marketing ploy to boost Arbitron ratings:

i http://timeoutchicago.com/arts-culture/chicago-media-blog/7542655/believe-it-or-not-fake-survey-brings-real-ratings-to-rewind

i http://boards.radio-info.com/smf/index.php/topic,154247.0.html

Plus, the enclosed "no postage necessary if mailed in the United

- States" postcard included fields for my name and address. So if I tried to enter the drawing for a modest stack of cash, some marketing firm could run wild with my contact information. Maybe I'd get invited to enter more bogus surveys (Eric Weatherall's blog Oct 16 via DXLD)
- ** U S A. 770, Nov 1 at *1345 UT, KKOB Albuquerque cuts on non-direxional 50 kW day pattern with programming about stox in progress, no greeting to us eastward listeners. Good signal held up for several minutes despite starting a semihour later than in Oct. Official sunrise gets later and later, 1400 in Dec, 1415 in Jan, while sunset is oblately at its earliest, 0000 UT, both in Nov and Dec (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** U S A. 830, Nov 2 at 1303 UT, ending Huckaby rant, ``My Talk 830, KOTC``, local news, briefly audible with WCCO nulled. This is the 10 kW daytimer widely accused of cheating at night, COL Kennett MO in the Bootheel, but address in Poplar Bluff, and supposedly moving to Memphis (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** U S A. 840, Oct 31 at 1334 UT, ABC News, into GEICO ad, 1336 ad for Chevy pickup dealer in Osceola, seed company in West Point, KTIC mentioned in passing. Osceola presumably referring to the little town SW of West Point in Nebraska, not the Osceola in IA. KTIC is 5 kW daytimer, which on a good quiet day can be detected here by ground wave, but this was still skywave (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** U S A. 870, Oct 31 at 1328 UT, religion in Spanish, outro as ``Un Nuevo DÌa`` with 817-AC phone, i.e. Fort Worth TX; also weak Spanish music audible when nulled, maybe remnant of XETAR in Chihuahua; and at 1331 also a WWL ID still made it thru. But at 1333 dominant was praise music in Spanish from KFJZ, allegedly known as Radio Fortaleza, but that slogan not yet heard (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** U S A. 1260, Oct 31 at 1315 UT, something in Spanish from NE/SW, but doubt it's Mexico now. 1321 ad in Spanish for Greater Iowa Credit Union, Des Moines, ID as 'La Reina 12-60', inviting kiddies to come to the station, address given, today at 4-6 pm to get some free sweets for Hallowe'en. NRC AM Log shows KDLF Boone IA, 5000/33/225 watts U3, 924 West Second St in Boone, birthplace of Mamie Eisenhower, which is quite a distance NW of Des Moines, so did they give a DM address for the dulces? I guess 'the queen' doesn't connote in Spanish what it does in English; altho I remember there was once a KWEN in Tulsa (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** U S A. 1460, Nov 1 at 1332, long list of unrecognizable local businesses, but one mentioned Burleson, and area code 817-645 ----. Show seems to be named ``Trade Fare`` (Fair?), i.e. KCLE in Cleburne

but COL Burleson TX, 11 kW day power, way over KZUE in OK which is the 1460 occupant here daytimes once skywave dies out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1590 kHz, WGBW DX Test of October 23, 2011. Oversized "Ekko Stamp" QSL and WGBW "Honorary Tower Site Supervisor" tee shirt received in 5 days for email report. According to Mr. Heller, I got 1 of 7 tee shirts they had available. Thank you Mr. Heller! 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, VA, Oct 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1510, FLORIDA, (TIS), City of Lakeland at Lakeland Linder Regional Airport. 1930 UT October 30, 2011. Big signal along I-4 still, between the US-92 exit and Exit 22 vicinity. Long loop -- too long to actually copy the whole cycle while driving the Interstate -- with an interview on some airshow attendee, who touted the need for all to experience camping out on the tarmac in a tent throughout the festival, and how he would stay in Tampa and drive over for the event before his wife also thought camping in a tent here would be way cool fun. A rare in-band TIS.

1620, FLORIDA, (PIRATE), Radio Keenanm, Orlando. 1240 October 30, 2011. A really puny signal with overblown modulation, with the usual Haitian KrËyol programming, barely audible on I-4 around the South Orange Blossom Trail exit, otherwise wiped out by the 810 WEUS, Orlovista (Southern Gospel) big and sloppy harmonic that's audible all around Walt Orlando World.

1640, FLORIDA, (TIS), Florida Turnpike DoT, near Orlando. 1235 October 30, 2011. As always, strong at the I-4/Turnpike exit, and also as always, weak pieces of the Turnpike FL-417, Slavia TIS poking through here, briefly.

1640, FLORIDA, (MIS), WQDC927, City of Casselberry. 1250 October 30, 2011. NOAA Weather Radio, with very annoying, too-frequent male ID drops every minute or so, as heard on I-4 near the Longwood exit.

The following logs were made local late morning/early afternoon on November 1, 2011 at Honeymoon Island State Park, Dunedin, Florida, and appended with [HISP] for anyone reproducing/sorting. Additional HISP appending: -R75 indicates the log was made using a stock ICOM IC-R75 with 200-feet of random wire on the parking lot ground, running roughly NW; -D5 indicates Sangean PR-D5 portable sitting on a Target bamboo lazy Susan atop the car roof. All times/dates are in GMT.

650, TENNESSEE, WSM, Nashville. 1618 and 1725 UT November 1, 2011. "That's Alright Mama" then group singing jingle "WSM" at 1619, into traditional C&W oldie, followed by male canned, "Hi, I'm Billy [last name not copied], and you're listening to WSM." A little weaker 1725

recheck with oldie C&W tune, canned non-singing ID. Really pleased to pull this one mid-day, and on just a barefoot portable at that. [HISP-D5]

1609.981, FLORIDA, (MIS), WPLY701, City of Tarpon Springs. 1625 November 1, 2011. The usual fire prevention loop with vocal, instrumental music bed and sound effects, also now a male segment with a URL to visit for current city job openings, ID with WPLY701 calls included. Fair with Tampa International Airport TIS nulled. [HISP-R75]

(Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, Florida Low Power Radio Stations: http://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** URUGUAY. SW BC current status --- SODRE en Onda Corta: Como ya deben saber, el pequeòo emisor del SODRE en 9620 ha estado fuera del aire por cierto tiempo. La razûn, falta de v·lvulas para el equipo. Un trasmisor de reemplazo de 500 W de estado sûlido, PDM, es lo que se plane, pero "todo es a pulmûn", de acuerdo al informante. La fq de 6125 sì est· activa. En mi blog "La Galena del Sur", bajo la entrada correspondiente, he agregado algunas fotos m·s, en este caso del irradiante de 6125.

6045-USB, R Sport, est· aparentemente fuera del aire. Al menos, mis monitoreos no indican modulaciÛn que pueda rescatar (Horacio Nigro Geolkiewsky, Montevideo, Uruguay, Oct 25, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Sin embargo --- /ltimas novedades de SODRE en OC, recogidas este mediodla indican que SODRE 6125 est· actualmente fuera del aire por carencia de v·lvulas 813. El Instituto no las compra m·s y los tècnicos la han sustituido por iniciativa propia y desinteresada con v·lvulas usadas, que no rinden y se agotan m·s tempranamente que las nuevas, y que no son (construidas) como "las de antes". Si alguna aparece la colocan...

Esto significa que Uruguay est∙, en el momento actual, fuera de la OC en tÈrminos de radiodifusiÛn.

El Sked teÛricamente deberÌa ser 24H. El trasmisor de estado sÛlido PDM, que los sustituir· a'n est· en etapa inicial, y llevar· tiempo. "Se hace a pulmÛn", me indica la fuente (Nigro, Oct 26, ibid.) Meaning, made to breathe? (gh)

Una posible soluciÛn mucho mas econÛmica que las 813 es reemplazarlas por v·lvulas rusas; Èstas son muy robustas, econÛmicas y ni siquiera necesitan zocalo. Ver este link; siempre cumple con los envÌos: http://www.nd2x.net/ur4ll.html

(Alejandro D Alvarez, LU8YD, ibid.)

La 'nica esperanza que queda de las emisoras uruguayas de OC (fuera de las iniciativas aisladas como Radio Chan· o Radio Infoideas) es la prometida reactivaciÛn de Banda Oriental en 6155 kHz como habÌa surgido de los testimonios tanto de JosÈ Antonio Porro como de su esposa Nora San MartÌn AnsÌn de Porro en enero de 2010 cuando Arnaldo y yo le visitamos en SarandÌ del YÌ. La onda corta no sÛlo es el escenario mortal de las internacionales, la mortaja tambiÈn viste a pequeÒas emisoras regionales y las sepulta para siempre. Basta con hojear a viejos ejemplares del World Radio & TV Handbook. Les recomiendo no consultar los de dÈcadas del '70 y '80 para no desanimarse demasiado RGM (RubÈn Guillermo Margenet, Argentina, ibid.)

TambiÈn, cuando tuve oportunidad de hablar hace poco con Jorge Yizmeyian, hermano del dueÒo de Em. Ciudad de Montevideo, me dijo, ante mi requerimiento, que la onda corta estaba inactiva, su hermano, Aramazd Yizmeyian (quien construyÛ el trasmisor y alentÛ las trasmisiones de la OC 9650, luego 6010), habla tenido un quebranto de salud del que se estaba recuperando; en fin, que no la han descartado.

El tema de Infoideas y Chan· es mas delicado, pues no est·n autorizada oficialmente. Hay que tener en cuenta que URSEC ha puesto receptores remotos de monitoreo en el interior que se controlan desde Montevideo. Chan· no parece temer, pero el dueÒo de Infoideas me dijo que no querla correr riesgos.

Estas dos 'ltimas han tratado de regularizar su situaciÛn ante URSEC, pero se han quedado en la burocracia, en el intento, en la letanÌa (Horacio Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay, ibid.)

** VANUATU. Radio Vanuatu back on Shortwave --- After a few weeks absence, Radio Vanuatu is back on the air, this time on 3945 kHz - noted in Pidgin at 0630 UT today 29 October. Was last noted here on 7259.98 back on 7 October (Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, New Zealand, AOR7030+ and EWEs targeting North, Central & South America, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7260, R. Vanuatu, Port Vila. Good with ID in Bislama on 12/10 at 0719 (John Adams, Beech Forest, Vic (JRC NRD-535 Ewe and Folded Dipole), Nov Australian DX News via DXLD)

** VATICAN. Radio Vaticana on 3975 / 6075 / 7250 kHz.

4004.053 at 0228 UT interval signal Vatican Radio over and over again, from Vatican Garden TX installation on horizontal revolving antenna. Latter will be cease service on 75 mb on October 29, 2011, and move inband to Vatican State Santa Maria de Galeria bigger extraterritorial

TX site on new 3975 kHz with 100 kW !!!

Very few transmissions will remain on 10 kW unit at VAT - Vatican Garden in Vatikan City on 7250 kHz, SEE schedule marked VAT - Vatican City GARDEN.

B-11 schedule negotiations Between Vatican Radio, HCJB Germany and Bundesnetzagentur/Media&Broadcast as provider of previous Wertachtal 3975 outlet.

Vatican Radio replaced FORMERLY planned 3995 kHz by new 3975 kHz lately, due of negotiations with HCJB Germany, which serves in German and Lower German language, latter which uses 3995 kHz from Kall at present - later from Weenermoor Friesland-Germany, - since summer 2011.

Yes, HCJB comes from Kall transmitter plant at present, southwest of Cologne-Euskirchen now. But in future from Weenermoor 53N12 007E19, see registration under 3995 kHz with 10kW of power, click to http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbyfmo.php?seas=B11&fmor=FNA>

3975 Vatican Radio in B-11 season comes from SMG - Santa Maria di Galeria 100 kW, the main txing center outside Rome. see registration file

3975 0325-0500 28 Vatican Radio - S. Maria di Galeria 42N03 012E19 10degr 100kW daily NEW http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbyfmo.php?seas=B11&fmor=VAT

Two remaining 10 kW outlets from Vatican City site in Rome, see under "Transmitter column Vatican City" 7250 kHz (Wolfgang B,schel, Oct 25, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

** VATICAN [and non]. 9645, Oct 30 at 0525, goodbye to Scandinavian languages here from VR via SMG; instead, Arabic, 0526 ID ``Huna idha`at al-Vatikan``, and natch, ``Laudetur Jesus Christus``, 0527 IS, which was found to be // and synchronized with weaker 9660. Meanwhile 9645 had persistent het from always off-frequency R. Bandeirantes, Brasil. 9645 is now registered for VR in Arabic all the way from 05 to 06 daily at 114 degrees; while 9660 is transitioning from English to Portuguese at 0530 for Africa, 175 degrees.

7250, VR gone from here at 0537 Oct 30, no longer abutting BBC Ascension 7255 nor Mauritania 7245, the latter not yet on anyway. However, the BBC was taking up Catholic hotpoints, discussing how hard it is to get contraceptives in Africa, while Coca Cola is everywhere [maybe if you overdose on it, will discourage conception?].

In A-11 on 7250, VR had English at 0500, Latin Mass at 0530, but in B-11 scheduled to start at *0540 French, guess what, via the 10 kW transmitter in Vatican Garden itself, 0600 English, at 340 degrees favoring NAm; switching at 0630 to 250 kW Santa Maria di Galeria in Latin aimed 4 degrees. I might have detected the 10 kW had I listened a bit longer; also scheduled on 7250 at 1730-2030, nowhere and nowhen else. However, on Oct 30 at 1740, Kai Ludwig in Germany found the 10 kW still on 4005, not 7250 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Vatican Radio still on 4005 --- Heard in French at 0540 // 6075. Nothing on 7250. 3975 not heard in German (0520) or in French (0540) but heard earlier in east-European languages. Have a nice Sunday (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, 0546 UT Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And now, at 1740 with programming in Slovenian, they are on *both* 3975 and 4005. 3975 is much stronger, certainly 100 kW from Santa Maria di Galeria as shown in HFCC, while the small Vatican City transmitter on 4005 is still active as well. The first impression of the new 75 metres from SMG is very good, it appears to be a real winner.

This time nothing to be heard on 6075 and 7250, shown in their Excel file for this transmission, too. 6075 has a mixture of two other faint signals. 7250 shows only sideband splash from Xian on 7245 and Kashi on 7255 where co-channel Minsk has no chance to achieve more than some SAH.

Let's wait til 1750, when the programme is supposed to be over: One stroke of IS and they seamlessly continue in Croatian (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 30, ibid.)

21680, Oct 31 at 1311, poor signal but growing to S9+12 tho undermodulated, in Italian, so it can't be Italy where Rai abandoned all SW a few years ago; instead, most likely is Vatican whence Italian is still shortwaved. Sounds like newscast, but 1314 into papa stuff, dead giveaway. This is scheduled daily 1255-1330, 250 kW, 170 degrees from SMG toward Africa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9790, Nov 1 at 1312 VR goes from music bit to IS, as they habitually do at the *end* of transmissions. This being new frequency of the PUG = Palauig, PHILIPPINES relay courtesy RVA, 1228-1315 in Chinese, 250 kW, 331 degrees.

6075, Nov 2 at 0603 news in a Slavic language about Greece, fair signal, no doubt Vatican Radio, which has occupied this frequency ex-5885 now that Deutsche Welle is kaput. VR starts at 0520 in German per HFCC.

6185, Nov 2 before 0600 has fast SAH between XEPPM and something, but still overshadowed by CRI/Sackville 6190. That something must also be Vatican; at 0604 in a Scandinavian language as scheduled, still SAH with XEPPM. This winter again, the papists mess up our listening to Radio EducaciÛn between 0300 and 0620, but at least that will seem to end an hour earlier once we go off DST Nov 6 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. "CH; VEZ TIENE AGARRADOS A LOS RADIODIFUSORES POR LA GARGANTA" [Chavez has broadcasters by the throat]

La periodista seòala que "con la autocensura este Gobierno pretende sustituir la realidad por ficciones de un mundo feliz. LlegÛ un momento en que la amenaza de cierre fue tan grande que se tomÛ la decisiÛn"

Marta Colomina ahora se vale del Twitter MANAURE QUINTERO ROBERTO GIUSTI | EL UNIVERSAL lunes 31 de octubre de 2011 12:00 AM

Finalmente le entregaron su cabeza al Gobierno. Eso sì, con mucha pena, con todo el dolor, respetuosamente, sintiÈndolo en el alma Marta, o sea, es decir, cûmo te lo decimos, est·s afuera, Marta. Te cerramos el micrûfono, te quitamos el puesto de estacionamiento, la levantada madrugadora, el encuentro con los oyentes. Lament·ndolo mucho, Marta, pero ya no te soportan m·s. Lo tuyo llegû a un lìmite, se ha hecho insoportable, insufrible, inaguantable. Eres, te lo decimos con todo cariòo, respetada profesora, un incordio, un fastidio, un engorro. Pero, enorgullècete, Marta, tu sacrificio ser·la salvaciûn de otros. . .

FUENTE: El Universal- CARACAS http://bit.ly/utKDYX (Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

** VIETNAM. 7210, VOV-1, 1241, Oct 26. In Vietnamese; indigenous music; 1257 gave frequencies; 1301 Anthem(?); poor with heavy QRM; // 5975 (fair), 7435 (the best) and 9635 (fair). Not often I hear all four of these so clearly (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM [non]. New relay site for VOV: UAE --- phong tieng duc ban doi ngoai, Oct 22. 6175 Frequenzaenderung, Voice of Vietnam Hanoi, German Service via Al Dhabbaya-UAE relay site.

Liebe Hoererinnen und Hoerer, Ab 30. Oktober 2011 hoeren sie VOV-Sendungen von 2030 bis 2130 UT auf der neuen Frequenz 6175. Wir bedanken uns fuer Ihre Aufmerksamkeit und hoffen auf Ihre weitere Emfangsberichte. Mit freundlichen Gruessen, Deutsche Redaktion von VOV (VOV via Michael Bethge, Oct 22, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD) VOV 6175 ueber Al Dhabbaya UAE. Ich will da ja mal nicht so schwarz sehen, aber bisher haben uns die Signale der DWL aus der UAE im Winter nie vom Hocker gerissen. Vielleicht sind die Onkel Ho Programme in den oestlichen Laendern besser zu hoeren ...?

6175 kHz 2030-2130 27S,28W,37N DHA 250kW 315degr German UAE VOV BAB

Warum wird ueberhaupt aus UAE gesendet? Weil durch die Stilllegung von Rampisham die Firma Babcock in England gar nicht gen gend Sender zu Spitzenzeiten zur Verfuegung hat, zumal auch nicht im 75 mb (Wolfgang B schel, Oct 23, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 27 via DXLD)

6175.058, Voice of Vietnam Hanoi in German language, provided by Babcock mostly via UK facilities in past winter seasons, now registered via Al Dhabbaya-UAE relay site daily at 2030-2130 UT. S=9+5dBm noted at 2050 UT, heavily hit by co-channel sideband signal QRM from CNR Lingshi in Chinese on next door 6180 kHz (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31 WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DXLD)

** YEMEN. 6135.02, Radio San'a, 1445, Arabic, suddenly on top of noise with brief comments by W, then into recitations. Good copy in LSB. 22 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. 1Africa: see SOUTH AFRICA [non]

** ZAMBIA. ZNBC1. 5915 Lusaka. Oct 29, 2011, Saturday 1827-1832. Afro music. ID at 1830 "Zambia National Broadcasting Corporation", followed by song, marimba and drums, then "Radio One" at 1831 and an "Airtel" advert. Fair. Jo'burg sunset 1623.

ZNBC2, 6165 Lusaka. Oct 28, 2011, Friday. *0250-0342. Tuned in to a musical version of the national anthem without song, but, "Stand and Sing of Zambia, Proud and Free, Land of Work and Joy in Unity", if my memory serves after 43-odd years. At 0252, id "Zambia National Broadcasting Corporation" and quickly into afro music. At 0300, realtime relay of "Daybreak Africa" from the VOA, about 2 secs behind 4930 ex Botswana (909 is late today, still not on, or not propagating, by 0341).

At 0330 ZNBC2 goes back to local programming, with morning greetings, time check "oh 530" and more afro music. At 0336 another time check "five thirty-six" and YL says "Welcome to the Zambian Breakfast Show", repeated a few secs later. Fair at first, but fading into the background noise by 0315 as it starts to get light here (and in Lusaka). Slight resurgence of the signal after 0325, became just

readable once again. Meanwhile, the real VOA on 4930 ex Botswana is still loud and clear in Jo'burg. Both to Central / Southern Africa. Jo'burg sunrise 0322. Compare with my early a.m. log of ZNBC2 for September 28; I didn't note the anthem on that occasion. If I had heard it, I would certainly have recognised it. Maybe I just missed it for some reason, or maybe it isn't always played.

ZNBC2, 6165 Lusaka. Oct 29, 2011, Saturday 1832-1836. OM's talking, but unreadable due to weak signal and QRN. Poor. Unusual; at night, ZNBC2 is usually better than ZNBC1 on 5915, but not tonight. Even worse at later check, 1917. Jo'burg sunset 1623.

ZNBC1, 5915 Lusaka. Oct 31, 2011, Monday. 0301-0307. Lunda. OM talking, at 0301 id "Zambia". Afro music and song at 0305. Poor; strong signal but rapid fading makes it almost impossible to read. To Southern Africa. Jo'burg sunrise 0320.

ZNBC2. 6165 Lusaka. Oct 31, 2011, Monday. 0307-0321. Relay of VOA's "Daybreak Africa". Poor. Strong signal with rapid fading. Jo'burg sunrise 0320 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. 4828, VoZ, 1723, presumed, noted in passing, fair with continuous hilife, no ID. 26 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Zimbabwe, 4828 Gweru. Oct 25, 2011, Tuesday. 1745-1758 Can make out that it's english, but nothing more. Very poor, unreadable, mostly at or below noise level. To Southern Africa, theoretically. Jo'burg sunset 1621. And on Oct 29, Saturday, not there at all when checked at 1839, presumably off air again. Jo'burg sunset 1623.

Radio Zimbabwe, 6045 Gweru. Oct 25, 2011, Tuesday. 1806-1835. News in what sounds like Shona, read by YL with several mentions of Bulawayo, Morgan Tsvangirai and Johnathan Moyo. After 1820, several mentions of Zimbabwe, then brief music and back to talk. Dare I say it? Another rare catch in my part of the world. I certainly haven't logged it over the past year. A few bits came in fair, but mostly poor, some of it near or at noise level. 50 kW non-directional (according to Aoki anyway. BDXC says it is 100kW) local transmission to Zimbabwe and Southern Africa. Still there when checked again at 1932, but very poor. Note added later, Oct. 29: Graham Bell reports hearing it regularly, specifically Oct. 16/17, in Simon's Town, 800 miles SW of Joburg, but after a period of absence (DSWCI DX Window Oct 19 via DXLD 11-43). So maybe I just wasn't hearing it before because it wasn't there. Jo'burg sunset 1621.

Radio Zimbabwe, 6045 Gweru. Oct 29, 2011, Saturday. 1615-1632. Language? Almost unreadable, but with afro music that seems typical of the area. Very poor. Later the same evening, from 1746-1814, possibly Shona? OM's talking, but unreadable. Generally very poor, but suddenly (and mysteriously) improved to just readable at 1756. Marimba [mbira?] music at 1758 and OM announcer mentioned "Zimbabwe", after which everything disintegrated again. No ID heard at TOH, but followed by a YL reading what sounded like the news. Largely unreadable, but mentioned "Bulawayo", once again bringing back memories of my long-ago school-days. Mentioned "Zimbabwe" at 1807, and "Bulawayo" again at 1808. Then OM with time check "ten minutes past eight" (placing it in the right time zone for Zim), and YL talking again. But it was so poor I just gave up at 1814, without hearing a definite ID. Nevertheless, I'm fairly confident it was Radio Zimbabwe. Poor - very poor. Jo'burg sunset 1623 (Bill Bingham, RSA, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. WE WANT A RADIO LICENCE BECAUSE WE ARE ZIMBABWEANS - VOP FM --- By Garikai Chaunza, Harare, October 28, 2011 ñ

Radio VOP says being Zimbabwean motivated it to reply for a radio licence, despite having been denied a licence in 2005. David Masunda, the chairperson of the prospective broadcasting station of VOP FM, which participated in a public hearing on Thursday before the Broadcasting Authority of Zimbabwe (BAZ), said in an interview after the hearing:

iWe are Zimbabweans and we want to broadcast from within Zimbabwe. Yes we might be broadcasting from other countries on shortwave but its only two hours, that is one hour in the morning and another hour in the evening. If we are given the licence we will be broadcasting for 24 hours giving Zimbabwean citizens a chance to articulate issues that concern them. This will also give us a chance to bring to the people hard and real news because we will be having the reporters on the ground and enough time to probe issues. We have applied for this broadcasting licence because we are Zimbabweans..."

iWe have also applied for this licence to show that we are a law abiding group of Zimbabweans who want to invest in their country, and nothing else.

iWe have not only applied for this licence because the Global Political Agreement (GPA) which calls for all the radio stations broadcasting from outside the country, but we are following the laws of the country hence the application we are hearing today,î Masunda said.

Other prospective radio stations which appeared before the BAZ public

hearing are: KISS FM, AB Communications and Zimpapers Talk Radio.

Masunda said VOP FM will strive to be objective in its news programming and will cover topics which have a bearing on the lives of all Zimbabweans.

iThis is one of the reasons why we want a radio licence. We do not want people to discuss issues in corridors, corners, bars and churches and then feel that those issues cannot be discussed nationally. Our Talk radio programmes will be open to anybody who doesnít have any malicious intent but who wants to seriously discuss issues and have their voices heard...we will be inviting experts in some of the issues,î he added.

In his presentation to BAZ, VOP FM Chief Executive Officer John Masuku said his radio programming which is 70% news and 30% music will be led by experience journalists and future star broadcasters.

iWe have Millie Phiri who will be in charge of the news and Maria Nyanyiwa Mataruse responsible for programming. We will be having a team of compliant reporters on the ground that will be providing eye witness news. We also hope that by the recent indication by government to introduce community radio stations we will be ready to provide training to personnel from such community radio stations.

iIn order to promote local and indigenous languages we are going to promote public speaking and writing in schools by sponsoring various competitions,î said Masuku.

If granted with a licence Masuku said within the first three months, the prospective radio station will install transmitters in Harare, Bulawayo and Masvingo that will feed other parts of the country and will commission a transmitter every six months in other parts of the country.

In 2002 unknown persons bombed the Voice of the People (VOP) Communications Trust offices which had been producing news since June 2000. In 2005 its offices in Harare's CBD were raided by the police and its equipment confiscated while its staff were arrested. The board members later went to court in 2006 on charges of broadcasting illegally but the case was dismissed with a judge describing it as a 'circus'.

SOURCE: http://bit.ly/sv8bhu
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. South Africa. Zimbabwe Community Radio, 4895 Meyerton. Oct 29, 2011, Saturday 1840-1855. Ndebele? and afro music. OM with ID at 1842 "Zimbabwe Community Radio Station", then the same OM talking to a YL about the National Blood Service. She mentions "sexually active", "clinic" and "town centre". ID again at 1848 followed after a few more words by "United Arab Emirates". This sounded like part of the ID, so is it still coming from Meyerton (as per Aoki - 29 Oct update - and EiBi), or is it now from the UAE?? Could be either; it suddenly cut off at 1855 and was replaced by five seconds of the irritating Family Radio music loop before the carrier was cut. Family radio uses relays in both Meyerton and Dhabbaya. Fair, but faded to noise level at 1844 for about 30 secs. Jo'burg sunset 1623 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Zimbabwe Community Radio, B11:

South Africa? Zimbabwe Community Radio, 4895 Meyerton? Oct 31, 2011, Monday. 1835-1854*. Quite clearly mentioned "United Arab Emirates" after, but in conjunction with, the ID at 1842, and then again with the next ID at 1847. Maybe Zimbabwe Community Radio is now coming from the UAE instead of South Africa? According to HFCC B11 it is still from Meyerton, but I can think of no other obvious explanation. Fair reception. Jo'burg sunset 1624.

Next night, Nov 01, 2011, Tuesday, *1755-1855* monitored the whole hour; they mentioned "United Arab Emirates" at ids, but only during the last fifteen minutes of the programme. Noisy, distorted, and fadey. Jo'burg sunset 1625 (Bill Bingham, RSA, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Bill, Tnx for the clip too received OK. As I recall, when it started a few years ago, ZCR was via UAE site, but this was found to be inadequate. Apparently have not changed the ID, or leaving disinformation in to get RSA off the hook? (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1589, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific carrier scan on DX-398, internal antenna only, 9 kHz steps in USB mode, Oct 31 at 1251 found only JBA carriers on 828, 774 and 747, all very likely NHK Japan. Today's Enid sunrise was 1253. In one week it will be exactly 1300 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1053, Parts Unknown, 1330, still hearing a strong bubble jammer, in null of cochannel 2CA. Don't think it's Korean, as most of their jammers are "white noise". So where is this coming from? 21 Oct (David Sharp, NSW Australia: NRD-535D, FT-950, R8, several portables, Timewave 599ZX and Palstar/ MFJ accessories, Quantum Phaser, EWE and dipole aerials, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re 11-43: 600 Hz tone on 1210?

- ``Almost dead on for Atlanta (Tim Hills, SD, Oct 24, ABDX via DXLD)``
- ``I talked to a friend in the FCC Enforcement office in Atlanta about > this today, and it is NOT WDGR. But they are working on busting it. :-) (Kevin Raper, ABDX via DXLD)``

So what is it then? So someone hears WDGR on 1210 exact with country? The UNID was again heard 'well' tonight via Atlanta remote rx (thanks Jack!), but at 2240 strengthens also on Raleigh NC rx, so should be closer to Atlanta than Raleigh. At 2311 a clear drop in signal. Distorted audio. Songs in an Asian language, most probably Korean, with announcements at 20 min intervals by a female voice, otherwise just songs, never TOH announcements. Audio samples (poor quality!) in the list files section. Best regards, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Oct 28, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 1630, IOWA, KCJJ, Iowa City. 1128 October 27, 2011. Messing with the Sangean PR-D5: O'Reilly Auto Parts spot, a convenient male canned "KCJJ, Iowa City" at 1130, into morning show bantering by two guys. WRDW, Augusta, GA (the way dominant here) faded up big by 1131. Definitely a third one on the channel and in English, so presume KKGM, Ft. Worth, rather than sought-after Mexi-Spanish format KRND, Fox Farm, Wyoming, which just could make it post-sunrise here in a perfect world (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4878.89, 1408, Oct 27. Something causing a strong het for AIR Lucknow on 4880.0; best of course in LSB; heard some music and talking, but far too weak to make out any details (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4878.89. Propagation very different on Oct 28; no het heard at all; found only AIR Lucknow on 4880.0.

Helpful feedback from Mauno Ritola (Finland): iChecking now at 1420 [Oct 28] I have a strong bubble jammer from Iran, trying to block Voice of Iranian Kurdistan, right now on 4879.89 kHz, but they wander a lot, trying to escape the jammingî; thanks to Mauno for the explanation; yesterdayís propagation must have allowed me to hear this, causing a strong het with AIR (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5771.22, 13/10 1120-1205, 22222, news sobre Bolivia y situaciÛn econÛmica, prÛxima elecciones este 16 de Octubre, por momentos se les escucha mejor programa El Panamericano. NOTA: Muy difÌcil de fijar la frecuencia, Èsta varÌa. Puede ser armÛnica (tnx H Klemetz) (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per', EL CHASQUI DX - OCTUBRE 2011, via Dario Monferini, Oct 27, playdx yg via DXLD) See PERU

UNIDENTIFIED [and non]. 6925 AM, Nov 1 at 0506, music marred by one of my cable DTV boxes which has decided it will bubble-jam this frequency tonight! 0508 announcement about a story, mentions Boris Karlov, ``Just Inside the Cemetery``.

Hope someone such as Brian Alexander got an ID on this one, as he did of my previous log on 6940 as: Radio Malta, Europirate!

BTW, RTI via WYFR is back on 6875 at 03-07, 100 kW, 285 degrees in Mandarin at the moment, pushing S9+25+, so strong that it desensitizes reception around it. Pirates need to stay at least 40 kHz away from 6875 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6940, Oct 31 at 0544, weak music on AM, maybe Laser Hot Hits, Europe if not a North American pirate (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Your unidentified on 6940 would be Radio Malta. I heard them at the same time. See my log below.

** EUROPE. PIRATE. 6940.11, Radio Malta, 0535-0550, from Europe I presume. Lite music. Blues music. ID. Weak but readable. Oct 31 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6942, approx. center of strange tones, Oct 28 at 0555-0610+, seems like some different carriers both with tone modulation and beating against each other, constantly shifting up and down a few kHz. Never any ID or talk at all. Poor signal. Maybe a legit ute, HAARP? It sounded rather spooky, so perhaps a pirate gearing up for the Hallowe'en weekend extravaganza here in the pirate band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have heard these many times in St. Paul, MN. Usually it sounds like the old ipongî video game system. According to Andrew Yoder, it is some sort of military exercise. It certainly is weird. 73, (Jim Morse, primetimeshortwave yg via DXLD)

SPECIAL NEWS! There have been reports of activity near 6940. This sounds like underwater music or distorted whale song. It has been suggested that this may be encrypted military comms. Ops may want to stay clear of this frequency, but interesting listening for us DXers (Ragnar Daneskjold, FRW via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13380, Nov 1 at 0458, huge S9+22 open carrier, still at 0514. Suspiciously like Cuban intelligence; did not monitor continuously in case there were any digital data bursts. Retune just in time to hear it cut off at 0526:45* tho there may have been other offs-and-ons meanwhile or later. Once the Revolution fracases, we can

hope the truth about all this, and jamming facilities come out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13420, Oct 31 at 0523, S9+20+ open carrier, with digital data bursts on and off; gone at 0534 check but CODAR remained in the area.

12120, another big S9+22 open carrier now here 0535 past 0543 Oct 31, but no data bursts heard. Both probably Cuban intelligence (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LILSTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 14300, PIRATE: I have been noting this on several occasions on 14300 kHz, which is the frequency for the Maritime Mobile Service Net. Someone on 14300 has been broadcasting music. I most frequently hear jazz on this frequency around 1800 UT or later, but today (10/28), I've been hearing 1950s rock and roll on this frequency. This recording was made around 1825 on October 28; someone was playing "Chantilly Lace" by J. P. Richardson (alias The Big Bopper). This had a local-strength signal on my Sangean ATS-803A with a 150-foot dipole in the attic; the same strength was reported on my ICOM IC-745 HF transceiver with a G5RV antenna in the attic. 73 and Good DX from (Eric Bueneman, Amateur Radio Station NÿUIH, Registered Monitor KDXÿSTL, KMOÿCN, Hazelwood, MO-Grid Square EM48ts, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Brief clip attached forwarded to DXLD yg (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 14970, Oct 31 at 1357, 6-note ``IS`` repeating, sounds vaguely familiar, probably a ute, as I was of course expecting to hear Firedrake here if anything. Very poor on AM; not heard after 1400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15331 approx., Oct 27 at 1303, 2-way in SSB, not Spanish, maybe Chinese. I notice my logs of these things are seldom published elsewhere, apparently of no interest. Well, I think documenting intruders is important, and wish others would do so, especially those who could understand the colloquial languages employed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17701, Nov 2 at 1317, CW station intruding, not hand keyed, but no DE ID heard as I listened for a couple of minutes (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 28564-USB, Oct 28 at 1420, pileup of ham stations evidently desperate to work some DXpedition? Calls or partial calls making it thru were K3HV and PE1-something. It's really exasperating that in such situations all they say is their own call over and over, so a bystander cannot know what station they are trying to work and whether it's on the same frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 50130 kHz Asian music? Last weekend I was at PY2MEM GG68 for enjoy Araucaria VHF Contest (AVHFC) on 6 and 2 meters with Japy DX Group. During the 6 meters opening to China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, we had a strange musical signal at 50.130 MHz, better tuned in USB but probably running in AM. Not only our station, but others in S"o Paulo also heard it. The music sounds the same during all reception, without presenters or advertising.

I made a recording that is now available at You Tube:

http://youtu.be/Nurlu5yNL1g

Here the link with other videos:

http://www.youtube.com/user/japydxgroup#g/c/E9CA7E82D79E9C92 Any ideas of the origin and objective of the emission? (Flavio PY2ZX Archangelo, Brasil, 27 Oct, WTFDA via DXLD)

With no vocals, sounds like one of Muzak-type stations like those found in Chile. Japan does have STL's in the 55-68 MHz range. I'm still in the process of adding them to my list, http://dxinfocentre.com/stl-asia.htm
Could be another Asian country using VHF-Lo.

Closest station I can find in the archaic ITU list is XACDC Ciudad Ju·rez, Mexico on 50.15 MHz in wide FM (180 kHz). wrh (Bill Hepburn, Ont., ibid.)

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

Acknowledged on WORLD OF RADIO 1589:

Thanks for DXLD every week, Glenn. Always enjoy. All the best a (Andy Reid, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

To be acknowledged in upcoming WORs:

Tnx to Terry Krueger, Clearwater FL, for a contribution in the mail to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702 (gh)

Thanks to Chris and Sarah Leslie for a contribution via PayPal (gh)

Hey Mr. Hauser.... Wanted to say I appreciate your hard work on this group & I follow. Blessings! (Robin in SF CA) $\,$

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Rhein-Main-Radio-Club QSL-CALENDAR 2012

Dear DX-friends, Rhein-Main-Radio-Club, Frankfurt, Germany and ADDX proudly present the 7. edition of the unique QSL-Calendar 2012. The new calendar is available now.

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(Harald Gabler, RMRC CEO, http://www.rmrc.de Rhein-Main-Radio-Club, Frankfurt, DrGabler @ t-online.de Oct 27, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Could you be a little more specific about how income from this ``supports DXing``? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY

Time changes this weekend

Europe / UK clocks on Summer Time until: Sunday 30 October 2011 01:00 GMT

then on Standard Time until: Sunday 25 March 2012 01:00 GMT

Proposals have been made from time to time about changing the UK's time zone to Central European Time. However, any changes would need to have full regard to the effect on business and transport links with other countries, on health and safety issues such as road traffic accidents, and on social and community life. Although there could be some advantages, adoption of Central European Time in the UK would result in later sunrise in winter, affecting particularly outdoor workers and people in the north of England and Scotland.

http://wwp.greenwichmeantime.com/time-zone/europe/uk/
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

28 Oct 2011: UK clocks change trial being considered:

The government is considering moving the UK's clocks forward by an hour for a three-year trial period. Details at: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-15490249

Daylight Saving Bill:

http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmbills/007/11007.i-i.html
(via Dragan Lekic, Serbia, ibid.)

It's not a particularly good idea to change GMT during the Winter as the benefits if any would be few. It would be darker in the morning and most people wouldn't like that and in the late afternoon it would be lighter for another hour which few people would notice anyway as in the Winter it's usually grey and cloudy more often than not. A much better idea which the majority of people would actually feel the benefit of is "double summertime". Hardly anyone would even notice the difference in the morning but everyone would enjoy it being light an hour later in the evening. The less than 0.5% of the population, i.e. farmers, who usually object to GMT and BST being changed can be ignored as we don't have to pander to minorities any more now that we don't have a labour government (Harry Brooks, North East England, UK, ibid)

Scotland looks likely to veto it:

CLOCK CHANGE BLOCKED IN 'TIME BANDITS' ROW:
http://www.scotsman.com/news/politics/
clock_change_blocked_in_time_bandits_row_1_1937262
(Mike Barraclough, England, Oct 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

ABU meet in Delhi

More info on ABU meeting being held in Delhi this week is found in http://www.abu.org.my/aburegistration2011/views/image/Schedule_of_meetings.pdf 73 (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad 500082, India, Oct 31, dx_india yg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB

BBC DRAGGING ITS FEET ON DIGITAL RADIO, SAYS GLOBAL FOUNDER The Guardian 1 November 2011

Ashley Tabor, founder of the UK's biggest commercial radio company, Global Radio, has criticised the BBC for dragging its feet on digital radio and questioned the need for switchover.

Tabor said digital audio broadcasting (DAB) radio coverage still fell well short of that currently provided by FM, which accounted for the lion's share of listening ñ and commercial radio profits.

BBC director general Mark Thompson recently confirmed that the corporation would fund the rollout of its national digital multiplex to reach 97% of the population.

But Tabor said the issue of local and regional DAB coverage was still unresolved, something he had spent "all year" raising with the BBC without conclusion.

"What has not been agreed yet is the local and regional layers which are not yet at FM equivalent. That is really important," Tabor told the Radio Festival in Salford on Tuesday.

"Does digital radio have a place in the broadcast ecology? Of course. Does radio have a place in digital? Of course. That's a very different thing to switchover.

"At the moment 68% of listening is still analogue, FM reaches every valley in the country. DAB doesn't. That's a key issue and the funding to build that out still hasn't been nailed.

More of this article at http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2011/nov/01/bbc-digital-radio?newsfeed=true (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC

103.3 WPRB goes IBOC

HDRadio goodness has landed in a big way in Central New Jersey as 103.3 WPRB added IBOC today, complete with an ethnic HD2 channel. The station is operated by students from Princeton University, so ultimately it's not a complete surprise they'd add HD with that kind of backing, but the station has always been very eccentric and anticorporate with its programming and overall feel, so I really never expected them to add IBOC. It's obviously a big blow here just 14 miles away, though 103.1 already was relatively useless with WMGK's IBOC, and WKTU isn't particularly easy to null in a lot of spots on 103.5. But 103.1 was always good in northern tropo --- obviously

no chance of ever hearing Newburgh NY/Albany/Cobourg ON/or maybe even the ultra common Bay Shore LI here anymore. Same goes for WTOP or WJKI on 103.5.

The much larger issue at hand is this might be some of the strongest proof yet of the fallacy of the current design of FM IBOC, as WPRB is a severely short-spaced 49 miles from adjacent channel 103.5 WKTU from the Empire State Building. Is there a closer pair of non-directional Class B FM stations adjacent to each other both running IBOC anywhere? (106.7 WJFK/106.5 WWMX and 105.9 WMAL/105.7 WJZ probably are closer to each other, but key differences are that both WJFK and WMAL are nulled toward Baltimore, and the Baltimore/DC markets are distinct enough that there probably wouldn't be many complaints about interference anyway.)

I know the popular line of defense from the pro-IBOC crowd is that nobody who "matters" cares whether or not a Class B station can be heard more than 40 miles or so from its transmitter, but with the Middlesex-Somerset-Union market being apart of the NYC Arbitron book, I can't fathom how KTU wouldn't receive complaints from people who DO "matter" about interference from PRB's hash. The fact PRB would be allowed to run what seems like a particularly strong IBOC being that short-spaced is mind-boggling to me.

Here tonight driving around I could not hear KTU in the car save for a few blips (usually comes in easy in the car), and even more amazing is that with the APS-13 at home, I can only hear a rumbling of KTU aimed at them (all NYCs are local signals aimed at them here). It seems like PRB is running their IBOC at the maximum limit as I had no problem hearing the hash on 103.5 at the I-276/I-476 interchange out in Plymouth Meeting PA earlier. I at first thought it was a spur from one of the Philly HD transmitters. Obviously, I hope Clear Channel gets flooded with complaints about this. -- (Nick Langan, Florence, NJ My DX page: http://www.wnjl.com/dx/ Oct 26, WTFDA via DXLD)

Their anti corporate attitude didn't stop them from calling my office and putting the arm on me to buy a "non advertisement" (Mike Hunter, W2MHZ, Neshanic Station NJ, ibid.)

POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS

HF SPECTRUM SLATED TO BECOME SERIOUSLY CONTAMINATED WITH BPL

In a story entitled, "FCC turns its back to ham radio concerns in approving modified BPL rules," the latest report from Amateur Radio Newsline begins as follows: "The Federal Communications Commission has affirmed its rules for Broadband over Power Lines or Access BPL with

only minor modifications that do little to protect the Amateur Radio service and other High Frequency users from severe to intolerable interference." That says it all.

Hams should consider contributing to ARRL's Spectrum Defense Fund even if they have never done so before. Looks like Amateur Radio Operators have a legal Battle Royale on their hands.

http://tinyurl.com/ARRLonBPL

(CGC Communicator Oct 31, via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

This week, Steve Blodgett offers his thoughts on a potentially valuable resource being abandoned by the West: The HF broadcast spectrum. HF travels worldwide and China is picking up the ball where the Western World has left off.

While HF is expected to become seriously contaminated with BPL interference on U.S. soil, it remains an extraordinarily valuable resource outside of the U.S.

http://www.earthsignals.com/press/
(CGC Communicator Oct 31, ibid.) Viz.:

HF BROADCASTING IS A RESOURCE WAITING TO BE TAPPED. Posted on October 26, 2011 by Steve Blodgett, W7RNA

There are still plenty of listeners worldwide on the HF broadcast bands, and yet, even with receivers readily available, and with limited available domestic broadcast spectrum, abandoned HF broadcast spectrum still lies dormant. Itis a thought worth following.

Is anyone still interested in Shortwave Broadcasting? Well, WBCQ has developed as a lone wolf on Shortwave doing an admiral [sic] job, even with limited resources, and has listeners in the U.S. and beyond.

BBC has all but abandoned its millions of shortwave listeners, employing twisted data to claim that worldwide coverage via Internet is somehow an improvement in service. Such claims from dubious sources were applied to justify cost cutting, period. Audio quality may be better on the Net, but coverage is awful, serving only those who agree to remain glued to a dedicated device on a leased connection. But Radio China International [sic] (CRI) has taken the lead on shortwave and is easily heard much as the BBC once was. They have become a dominant player on HF now.

I miss Radio Nederland (great audio), WRUL, WRNO, and some of the old European broadcasters. NHK Japan always had strong, high quality audio and programming but theyire gone in English now [NO, THEY ARE NOT! And are even relayed from Canada --- gh]. The old VOA and Radio Moscow are missed, although The Voice of Russia can still be heard to a limited

degree with some very high quality cultural and historical programming. They do a great job over there. iMoscow Mailbagî is still on after all these years.

Remaining VOA transmission facilities ñ if any ñ should be mothballed rather than destroyed. One brilliant solar event will be all it takes to compromise the satellite feeds that we have come to trust, making the VOA HF facilities valuable indeed. And, why not lease VOA transmission facility time to other broadcasting interests, much as Radio Taiwan does via CBCís Sackville plant to put a giant signal on 5950 kHz into much of the U.S. and Canada? [sic! that is via WYFR in Florida --- gh] Why canít we get creative with our assets instead of destroying them? Maybe unknowing bureaucratic functionaries will just never get the point.

Hereis some of what is possible: Regulation allowing lower power domestic shortwave stations, simulcasting to provide frequency-effective extended coverage for domestic stations, promotion of shortwave by broadcasting interests, and shortwave radios flying off the shelves! Shortwave broadcasting is a wasted resource just waiting to be tapped and renewed.

A final note to those of you using 26 MHz iIFB.î Current and increasing solar activity has taken the 26 MHz band worldwide. Without you knowing it, your IFB could be acting as a virtual shortwave FM broadcast station of sorts. Please answer any QSLs you may receive (Steve Blodgett, W7RNA, ibid.)

We certainly endorse Steve's sentiments, and sorry about the necessary sics due to his fuzzy facts, inaccuracies (gh, DXLD)

IBC FCC AFFIRMS BPL RULES, MAKES MINOR REFINEMENTS
TV Technology By Doug Lung October 27,2011
http://www.tvtechnology.com/article/125654

Access Broadband over Power line (BPL) places broadband data on existing electrical wiringóoutdoor distribution and to the homeóusing radio frequencies ranging between 3 MHz and 80 MHz. These are the same frequencies used for shortwave radio broadcasting, amateur radio communications, and the low VHF TV band (channels 2-6). With the DTV transition complete and only about 40 full-power TV stations transmitting on these channels, BPL is unlikely to have a major impact on TV reception, although at short distances the Third harmonic of BPL signals might interfere with high-VHF (channels 7-13) reception. Viewers of low-power TV stations that moved to the low VHF channels left behind after full power stations' DTV transition are much more likely to have problems with BPL signals.

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL), representing Amateur Radio operators, has long criticized the FCC for rules that don't sufficiently protect ham radio operators and shortwave listeners from BPL interference and failing to enforce the BPL interference rules that do exist. The ARRL challenged the FCC rules in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. As a result of this challenge, the Court required the FCC to: "1) make part of the rulemaking record unredacted versions of several staff technical studies which the Commission considered in promulgating the rules, 2) provide a reasonable opportunity for public comment on those studies, and 3) provide a reasoned explanation of its choice of the extrapolation factor for use in measuring radiated emissions from Access BPL systems." In response, the FCC issued a Request for Further Comment and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (RFC/NPRM).

Monday the FCC issued the Second Report and Order (FCC 11-160). After this long proceeding, lasting over 7 years from the time the FCC adopted the Access BPL rules, the commission said, "In this Second Order, we complete our action addressing the court's concerns and our proposals in the RFC/FNPRM. We find that the information submitted in response to the RFC/FNPRM does not warrant any changes to the emissions standards or the extrapolation factor. We are, however, making several refinements to our Access BPL rules." See all filings in Docket 04-37.

The refinements include increasing the notch filtering capability for systems operating below 30 MHz from 20 dB to 25 dB; establishing a new alternative procedure for determining site-specific extrapolation factors; and adopting a definition for the "slant-range distance" used in the BPL measurement guidelines to further clarify its application. The Second Report and Order notes, "We find that the benefits of the above changes to the rules outweigh their regulatory costs...".

The Second Report and Order has more details on the modifications. Appendices C and D include rules changes and measurement guidelines, respectively. The concerns of the ARRL and its arguments are evaluated in detail and mostly dismissed in the 76 page Order and Appendices. As of Wednesday night, the ARRL had not posted the news or a response on its Regulatory and Advocacy web page (via Mike Terry, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

US HAMS NOT HAPPY WITH LATEST BPL CHANGES
Radio World October 28,2011
http://www.rwonline.com/article/hams-not-happy-with-latest-bpl-changes/24693

Amateur radio advocates are disappointed the FCC didnít do more in its latest action regarding iaccess broadband over power lineî systems.

The commission released a Second Report and Order on BPL Monday. ARRL, a national association for hams, has been active on this issue. It noted that the R&O is in response to a court order that instructed the commission to revise its BPL rules, which ARRL had challenged earlier.

The association believes BPL emissions ipolluteî the radio spectrum, including bands used by amateur radio, and that BPL has failed as a method of delivering broadband connectivity.

In 2009, according to an ARRL summary, the commission proposed a change to measurement standards used to determine whether a BPL system complies with allowable levels of radiated emissions.

The association had argued that icoupled with a scientifically valid extrapolation factor for determining those levels, mandatory notching of the amateur bands to a level 35 dB below the general emission limitî would reduce harmful interference to hams to a level that could be addressed case-by-case.

But ARRL says the FCC now has decided to adopt neither its own proposal nor mandatory notching. iInstead, the commission has increased the requirement for BPL systems to be able to notch frequency ands to at least 25 dB, an increase of 5 dB from the existing requirement of 20 dB,î it stated. iThe commission also made technical adjustments to its rules for determining the distance between a power line and a measurement antenna and for determining site-specific extrapolation factors.î

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner said in a statement that an increase in notch depth is welcome, but ithe value of the change is greatly diminished by the notches not being mandatory. The FCC acknowledges that a compliant BPL system will increase the noise floor below 30 MHz at distances of up to 400 meters from a power line, but characterizes that as ëa relatively short distance.í How many amateur stations are located more than a quarter-mile from the nearest power line?î He also questioned other technical aspects of the commissionís order.

ARRL further said that the lack of many interference complaints about BPL systems is attributable not to FCC rules but to a imarketplace failureî of Access BPL, coupled with voluntary steps taken by some system providers.

The group further disputed FCC estimates of how many BPL systems are in operation: iThe BPL system database is filled with listings for ëpaperí systems that were never deployed, systems that have been taken out of service and systems that are at some planning stage or are only offering service to customers within a small pilot area,î Sumner

stated. iThe FCCis own report on the status of Internet access services as of Dec. 31, 2010 shows no more than 6,000 customers nationwide receiving service via ëpower line and otheri connections, and about half of those appear to be ëother.iî

He said ARRL is still looking over the latest R&O but expects to file a petition for reconsideration in support of mandatory notching, particularly since thereis now also interest in BPL as being useful in ismart gridî applications (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

FCC BPL ORDER SUMMARIZED - good reading http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-tightens-bpl-interference-rules-but-not-by-enough (via Bennett Kobb, Oct 28, DXLD)

WORLD OF TELEPHONY

FCC UNVEILS RULES FOR RURAL BROADBAND FUND By MARCY GORDON, AP Business Writer ñ 3 days ago

WASHINGTON (AP) ó Federal regulators have unveiled a plan for overhauling the \$8 billion fund that subsidizes phone service in rural areas and for the poor. It redirects the money toward broadband expansion.

The Federal Communications Commission's plan, adopted Thursday, establishes a new "Connect America Fund" for mobile telephone and broadband in rural communities and needy areas. . . http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5gbIkrgymI3hkgg4Hp1DDTGo0mtJw?docId=60072ff4973f4eca9e850fa31deedef3 (via DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

SHORTWAVESITES YG B11 GRIM REAPER REPORT:

I haven't confirmed all of sites below, but from post & preliminary reports; October 31st, 2011 saw the sad passing of the following SW transmitter sites (for SW transmissions):

BULGARIA Kostinbrod

MONACO Fontbonne - Mont Agel

PORTUGAL Sines
UK Rampisham

SRI LANKA Trincomalee (Perkara) [see below]

RIP

Also in mid 2011 we heard of the passing of the Kampung - Laya-Laya site in Sarawak, Malaysia & from Australia Ozyradio's 'Schofields' site. I'm sure there are have been other small SW domestic sites, but I'm not aware of these. If you know of other SW site closures over the past months please drop us all a line.

We have some members from the Ukraine & I would be pleased to hear from you guys regarding the current status & recent history of the SW transmitter sites from this nation.

On a brighter note, 2012 & beyond will hopefully see the birth (opening or re-activation) of new SW sites from: Australia, Nigeria, Venezuela, Madagascar, Pakistan, Algeria & another African nation. (Ian Baxter, Shortwavesites yg, via DXLD)

My thanks to Mauno for alerting me to an error in my posting re SRI LANKA Trincomalee (Perkara) disappearing - it is premature. My apologies.

Mauno> Isn't Trincomalee still used for SLBC on 11750 1530-1830?

Mauno has just confirmed with me that he has monitored this transmission within the past 24 hours. Any further news in regards to the future of this SW site beyond B11 is welcome (Ian Baxter, ibid.) But is it really Trinco, or Ekala? See SRI LANKA

KAITO AN-200 MEDIUMWAVE ANTENNA REVIEW

The AN-200 tunable passive loop antenna for mediumwave is manufactured by Tecsun, and sold under the Grundig and Kaito brands in the United States. It has an impressive appearance, with red wires wrapped around a clear plastic loop about 9 inches in diameter, and a black plastic arched base. So, is it just for show, or does it deliver better mediumwave reception?

As traditional mediumwave DXing is increasingly threatened by HD (hybrid digital [sic])/IBOC (in band on channel) broadcasting, I'm looking for ways to get more out of this hobby in the near term. I purchased a Kaito AN-200 antenna to use via inductive coupling with my portable receivers. This is the first external AM antenna I've ever owned or even used, so I can't compare its performance with other similar products. . .

http://cobaltpet.blogspot.com/2011/10/kaito-200-mediumwave-antenna-review.html (Eric Weatherall`s blog, Oct 14 via DXLD)

HOW I OVERCOME TVI

Hi, Many of you know I had to take a "back seat" to DX'ing, after my

neighbour's bought a very "noisy" Palstar plasma TV. I am once again DX'ing, after experimenting with several EWE variations. The website, which I used for a guide on the aerial, is here: http://www.johncon.com/john/EWE/

I am using two EWE's, in tandem with a Quantum Phaser, which helps to null some of the remaining noise. In addition, I have re-earthed everything in my shack. The equipment, DC power supply, all have independent earths, as do the EWE's. I also make sure to "water" the aerials, as EWE's need reasonably good conductivity to perform.

My "solution" comes after many weeks of experimenting, though I don't know what the ultimate "noise floor" is at my QTH, with lots of thunderstorm QRN bothering the lower frequencies. Still though, much better than my previous situation, where there was white noise (averaging S9+20) across all bands and huge "spikes" every 125 kHz (which remain but can usually be phased out). At least I can DX again.

Anyone with questions, drop me an email (David Sharp, NSW Australia, Oct 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi David, Good to hear from you again & interesting to read the techniques you've employed in your battle against TVI. The following worked very well for me. Most interference is usually best fixed at the source & the following remedy is another example of this.

A 'Braid-Breaker' fitted between the TV coax antenna input of the offending TV & the coaxial cable has worked wonders with my neighbours noisy TV & also previously his digital set-top box. In this case it prevents the coax line & possibly TV antenna acting as a RFI transmission antenna. You might be able to source one of these at Electrocraft (Sydney) or make one?

Hopefully you have friendly & cooperative neighbours :-) They might not want to pay for it, but if you explain to them that it might also assist with rejecting some interference to their TV reception or provide a little static protection they might be more amenable.

I needed one of these after replacing some single shield coax with quad shield TV coax. What happened was that the outer braid of the TV coax acting as a receiving antenna for the close MW txers & the result was interference to my former analogue TV reception. The Braid Breaker stopped this & as I discovered later it also stopped digital set-top box also plasma tv interference from my neighbour's TV affecting my SW listening. Can't say if it will work in every case, but it's a useful device where certain in-line filters are unsuitable.

Insertion loss is usually low, but does differ depending on TV

frequency. Hope this helps David (and others :-) Regards (Ian Baxter, NSW, ibid.)

``TVI`` originally meant interference *to* TV reception by ham radio transmissions; now the tables have been turned as TV sets cause so much more QRM to SW/MW reception (gh, DXLD)

AM STATIONS WERE CAPPED AT 50 KW IN THE LATE 30s

http://tinyurl.com/First-50kW-hit

Long ago, some dominant AM radio stations in the United States were allowed to run super power levels, but that changed in the late 30s thanks to a document called "Sense of the Senate:"

- o Per a history of American broadcasting by Christopher H. Sterling & John M. Kittross, 50 kW was set as the upper limit because of a ""Sense of the Senate" resolution in the late 1930s."
- o Billboard newspaper of July 16, 1949, page 7, also mentioned the Sense of the Senate document that "was made a decade ago" to limit the power of AM stations to 50 kW.

So, the late 30s appears to be the defining moment when the 50 kW cap was imposed on AM broadcasting in the United States.

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http://tinyurl.com/Next-50kW-hit
(CGC Communicator Oct 31 via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Nov 01 2020 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
# Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 - 30 October 2011
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Solar activity has been at very low to low levels. Very low levels were observed on 24 October while low levels dominated the remainder of the summary period. Despite the large size and magnetic complexity (Beta-Gamma) of Region 1330 (N08, L=249, class/area, Eko/560 on 24 October), the region only managed three low level C-flares on 25 and

30 October. Region 1324 (N11, L=305, class/area, Ekc/360 on 20 October) was the largest producer of low level C-class activity with a total of five flares; the largest of the period, a C3 that occurred at 29/1452 UTC. Four relatively slow-moving CMEs were observed in association with disappearing solar filaments beginning at 22/0058 UTC, 26/0800 UTC, and 28/0218 UTC, and finally 28/1652 UTC, observed in SOHO/LASCO imagery. The first event became geoeffective late on 24 October while a glancing blow from the second event arrived early on the 30 October, and third CME is not expected to be geoeffective. The final CME is expected to arrive sometime on 31 October.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to severe storm levels. The period began with solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE Spacecraft, steady near 300 km/s with the total interplanetary magnetic field (IMF Bt) around 6 nT. The geomagnetic field was quiet during these periods. By late on 24 October, an interplanetary shock was observed in ACE data at 24/1748 UTC in association with the CME from 22/0058 UTC. A Sudden Impulse (SI) was observed at the Boulder magnetometer of 13 nT at 24/1832 UTC. Solar wind velocities increased from a steady 350 km/s to about 525 km/s. The IMF Bt increased to above 20 nT from about 24/2000 UTC through 25/1300 UTC and gradually decreased to about 8 nT by late on 25 October. The Bz component of the IMF reached southward values of -20 nT from about 24/2000 UTC through 25/0000 UTC. The geomagnetic field from 24/1800 UTC - 25/1200 UTC responded with active to major storm periods with an isolated severe storm period observed from 24/2100-2400 UTC. By 26 October, solar wind speed declined to around 400 km/s with the IMF Bt around 7 nT. Solar wind speed continued to decline to approximately 300 km/s by the end of the period. The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet the rest of the period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 02 - 28 NOVEMBER 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low to moderate levels from 02 November - 15 November as Regions 1338 (S12, L=119, class/area Dao/120 on 01 November) and 1339 (N22, L=117, class/area Dao/180 on 01 November) rotate further onto the visible solar disk. A return to mostly low levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the period. The geomagnetic field is expected to be generally unsettled on 02 November as the effects of a CME wane. Predominantly quiet conditions are expected from 03-04 November. An increase to unsettled to active conditions is expected from 05-07 November as the combined effects of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and another CME are expected. A return to quiet levels is expected from 08-10 November. Another small increase to unsettled conditions is expected from 11-13 November, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. A return to predominantly quiet levels is expected from 14 - 25 November. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected for the remainder of the period, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective.

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